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L.E.C.

April 10, 1905.

Miss [illegible],

Indian School,

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Friend;

Yours of March 29th is received. I am glad that you have a chance to go to the country and hope that you will bring back a good record with you, as in the summers gone by.

I hope that in the country you will have a chance to go to church and Sunday School and will always be present on Sunday.

Very truly your friend,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agent of Education for Alaska

L.R.C.

April 10, 1905.

Mrs. James A. Eddy,
Aspen,
Colorado.

Madam:

Yours of April 4th is received and I mail you some material from which to make your paper. The two pamphlets you may keep. The "Signal", kindly return to me when you are through with it.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

April 10, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
150 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Van Marter:

Yours of April 7th is received. Miss Tomkinson not only sent me a report for the Government Report, but also sent me a copy of the history of your Society, which I [redacted] value very much.

I fear my book by Revell & Company, will not be ready before next winter. If I do not send you a copy, please jog my memory by a postal card.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt. Education for Alaska.

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L.E.C.

April 10, 1905.

Miss Katherine R. Crowell,
95 Evergreen Place,
East Orange, N. J.

Dear Miss Crowell:

On Friday night I returned you the proof copy of "Alaska for Juniors", also an introduction which I hope you will find suitable.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U.S.Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 10, 1905.

Mrs. Emily B. Baker,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Baker:

Yours of April 6th is received and also the box for Dr. Campbell, of St. Lawrence Island. We will forward it on its way as soon as Bering Sea opens for the passage of vessels.

The freight on box and drayage, amounts to $1.10, which you can send me at your convenience.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

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April 11, 1905.

Miss Edith G. Long,
Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

My dear Madam:

Yours of March 22nd came as I was getting ~~over~~ over an attack of ~~the~~ pneumonia and when I returned to my office [illegible] ~~got~~ the letter was covered up by an accumulated correspondence. I will try and make my peace with you by giving you permission to use any of the letter-press issued by Government for publication in any of our Presbyterian or any other papers. The Government has no copyright on its publications and the object of publishing is to give information to the public, and the more fully our publications are published by private enterprise the better we like it.

Now with regard to pictures it is a little different. The photographs from which our illustrations are made are sent to Congress and so far have not been returned to us. We have some of the electrotype plates and if you will indicate what you wish for reproduction we can have electrotype copies made for you in Washington, you paying the price of re-production --- the original electrotype plates are not loanable but from the originals, as said before, we can have you copies made at your expense.

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Regretting the long delay in replying to your letter, I remain,

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

L.E.C.

April 12, 1905.

Mr. Shirley Eaton,
c/o Messrs Mackay & Co.,
Cor. of Pine & Nassau Streets,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Shirley:

The enclosed letter will tell its own story. I am depending entirely upon you in regard to the Acoustic Company of New York. You will of course advise me what to do.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U.S.Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Enclosure

(COPY)

W. H. Tillman,
Ulisted Securities,
1 Nassau Street,
New York.

April 11, 1905.

Mr. Sheldon Jackson,
"The Concord",
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have a client who offers 45 % and accrued interest for Bonds, accompanied by the Premium stock of the Hutchison Acoustic Co. of New York. If you hold any of these bonds,and wish to dispose of them be kind enough to advise me at once, as I understand foreclosure proceedings come up April 24th.

Joline, Larkin and Rathnorne, No. 54 Wall St. are I understand Attorneys for the Company and can inform you more correctly in regard to this however.

Remittance will be made upon receipt of the securities.

Yours truly,

W. H. Tillman.

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L.E.C.

April 12, 1905.

Mr. L. T. Turner,
26 Haller Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Sir:

I send you enclosed letter. Please bring it to the attention of Ex Mayor Wood.

Truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Enclosure

(COPY)

Sparkman & McLean
Real Estate And Mining Investments.
114 First Avenue.

Seattle, Wash. 4-5-05.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington,
D. C.

Dear Sir

Believing you to be the owner of Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 18, Dewey's Addition to Seattle, of Lot 5, Block 5, Day's Eldorado Addition to Seattle, and possibly other lots, conveyed to you at the same time (March 6, 188), we write to inquire if said lots, or any other property that you may own in this city, is for sale, and if so, to request that you quote us price and terms thereon, and allow us to offer same for you, subject to the customary 5 % commission.

We notice that taxes for 1903 on above said lots are delinquent and a delinquent tax certificate has been issued on said lot 5, Block 5. We mention this, thinking it possible you may have overlooked same in some way. The tax for 1904 will become delinquent May 31st, if not paid before that time.

If you care to have us do so, we will send you a memorandum in regard to the taxes.

Hoping to hear from you at an early day, we are,

Yours very truly,

(signed) SPARKMAN & McLEAN,

L.E.C.

April 12, 1905.

Messrs. Sparkman & McLean,
1124 1st Avenue,
Seattle, Washington.

Sirs:

Your letter of the 5th concerning certain lots in Seattle is received.

Said lots have been turned over to Ex Mayor W. D. Wood, of your city and are for sale by him, or by L. T. Turner, 26 Haller Building. Seattle.

Please see them. Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska

L.E.C.

April 12, 1905.

Rev. R. G. McNiece,
1136 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City,
Utah.

Dear Dr. McNiece:

The Bureau of Education sends you to-day, two mail sacks of public documents on the Utah question.

They were in our way and I thought that the only parties that could use them would be the Gentiles Literary Bureau at Salt Lake, which I understand furnishes literature free to tourists and visitors.

I hope that this will reach you before the mail bag reaches Salt Lake, so that you may not have the trouble of removing from the Post Office to your home, but can have the bag sent direct to your Office, or to the office where lost literature is distributed.

I was at Princeton a few weeks ago, but was so weak and sick that I was unable to visit the college and look up your boys, which I regretted very much.

I hope Dr. Wishard will accept the Presidency of the college. Remember me very kindly to your wife and to the friends that may speak of me at Salt Lake.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 12, 1905.

Rev. Samuel E. Wishard, D. D.,
Salt Lake City,
Utah.

My dear Dr. Wishard:

I was very glad to hear that the trustees had elected you President of Westminster College.

I pray God if it be His will to dispose you to accept the position, for I can not think of any one so situated that can probably succeed so well as you in securing the necessary funds to keep the institution going.

I think if you were next fall to spend two or three months in any of our large cities gaining access to the more wealthy of our citizens that you would succeed better than we have done in simply visiting the ~~city~~ Churches. I think that in the four cities of Pittsburg, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago, you could by the blessings of God reach some citizens who would give comparatively large sums.

I also think that if you were to approach Mr. Ralph Voorhees, of N. J. that you could get from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars out of him. You have probably noticed that he has given very large sums and is evidently distributing his property before his death.

If I can co-operate with you, I shall very gladly do it.

With kind regards to your wife and children, & grand children I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

April 13, 1905.

Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson,
43 North Hickory Street,
Mount Carmel, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Tomkinson:

I fear that in the accumulation of correspondence during my recent attack of pneumonia, that I have failed to acknowledge your kindness in sending me a short statement of the work of your Society in Alaska and also a copy of the "Twenty Years History of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church".

I shall value the book very highly and use it frequently in reference.

At any time when there are Reports or other public documents that I can assist you to, please write me freely for them.

With regard to compensation, I would say that with reference to ~~short~~ the manuscript description of the work of your society in Alaska that none of the other churches have asked for any compensation for information sent me. I presume on the ground, that it was a favor to them, to have their work correctly presented to the public.

I know the trouble of getting up information for other people. A week does not pass that I am not requested to do that thing for persons in different parts of the United States, but I think I can balance favors with the M. E. Church, from the fact that I have given many hours of hard work, that during the last twenty years would amount to two or three months, and at one time when the Jesse Lee Home would have been closed, advanced them four or five hundred dollars of my own money, not knowing whether it would ever be returned to me.

With regard to the book, I forward you duplicate blanks upon which, if you wish, you can make out a bill and I will try and have the Government pay it, the other matter was simply for my personal use.

Again thanking you for your kindness, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Enclosure

L.F.C.

April 13, 1905.

Mr. John Scudder McClain,
Editor, Journal,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. McClean:

Please accept thanks for a copy of your book, ALASKA AND THE KLONDIKE, just received from Messrs. McClure, Phillips & Co.,

I am much obliged for a kindly notice of the reindeer. The Reindeer Report for 1904, ought to be ready for delivery early in May. If you do not receive a copy at that time please drop me a postal.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.F.C.

April 13, 1905.

Mr. M. Healy Wolfe,
Park College,
Parkville, Mo.

My dear Son:

Your letter was received several days ago, but I have been so busy with public business, that I have been unable to answer it promptly.

With regard to what you shall do during the summer vacation, I think that you had better consult with Mr. Mc Afee, as I am too far off and know too little concerning the circumstances to advise you intelligently.

I have recently been very sick with pneumonia, but am again at the Office trying to catch up with my work.

Mrs. Jackson and the daughters are well and would send love if they knew that I was writing.

Very affectionately yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 13, 1905.

Messrs. McClure, Phillips & Co.,
44 East 23rd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sirs:

Please accept thanks for an advanced copy of ALASKA AND THE KLONDIKE, recently received. I shall value it very highly.

I have already written a letter of thanks to Mr. McClain and I desire to thank you also for your part of the work.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.F.C.

April 13, 1905.

Mrs. Emily B. Baker,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Baker:

Yours of April 11th, enclosing check for freight is safely received.

With regard to sending the $5.00 to Mrs. Campbell, you might write your letter, address and seal, and then enclose that letter in a letter to Captain O. C. Hamlet, R.C.S., commanding the Revenue Cutter BEAR, Honolulu, Hawaii Islands, asking the Captain to kindly deliver Mrs. Campbell's letter as it is a part of his summer trip to carry the mail to St. Lawrence Island. If the Board or others have any mail for Dr. Campbell and his wife, that will be a good way to send it.

Mail sent by the way of the Sandwich Islands, should start as soon as convenient.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 13, 1905.

Miss Katherine R. Crowell,
75 Evergreen Place,
East Orange, N. J.

My dear Miss Crowell:

Yours of yesterday is received and within half an hour the proof was returned to the Post Office to be sent direct to the Willet press.

The only correction was that the signature was not printed in a line parallel with the printed matter above. I have called their attention to it, but it will be well for you also, to look it over.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 14, 1905.

Rev. R. L. Stewart, D. D.,
Lincoln University,
Chester County, Pa.

Dear Dr. Stewart:

I send you this afternoon by Adams Express, 2 small boxes and one paper package, freight prepaid, containing 88 memoranda books, from 1857 to 1903 inclusive; 2 Diary books, 1854-1859; 1 personal scrap book; 1 Assembly Herald, July 7, 1904; 1 Moravian Missions in Alaska; 1 Envelope containing newspaper clippings; 1 bound volume of "North Star", Sitka, Alaska; 1 Presbyterian Home Missions, 1880, bound; 8 bound volumes of letters, volumes 4 to 11 inclusive, (volumes 1 - 2 - 3 were sent you previously); 1 bound volume of Rocky Mountain Presbyterian, from 1872 to 1879 inclusive.

Now when you have looked over all this material I think you will know my history better than I know it myself.

Kindly drop me a postal of their safe arrival. There will be some more material to send later.

Hoping your commencement passed off satisfactorily and with kind regards to Mrs. Stewart, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 14, 1905/

Mrs. C. K. Swartz,
913 North Fulton Avenue,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Mrs. Swartz:

Yours of April 13th is received and I rejoice greatly that your church with your sabbath school are raising the fifty dollars ($50.) for the life boat. You can send the money by check, payable to the order of Edward Marsden. His address is Rev. Edward Marsden, Saxman Ketchikan P. O., Alaska.

I have written him that the young people of your church were greatly interested in his work and I hope that he will send you a good letter which can be read to the Sabbath School.

With kind regards to your husband and children, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 14, 1905.

Rev. Edward Marsden,

Saxman,

Alaska.

Dear Edward:

Sabbath before last I gave a missionary address in Baltimore, with the result that the young people were so much interested, that they have undertaken the raising of $50. with which to replace the life boat which was lost.

I had a letter from there to-day, stating that they were succeeding very nicely in raising the money. I have given them your address And recommended that they send the money to you direct. Send them a good letter of thanks Perhaps they will send it to you direct. If they send it to me I will forward it at once.

Hoping that matters are moving along nicely in your extensive parish and with kind regards to Mrs. Marsden, I remain,

Very sincerely your friend,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 15, 1905.

Rev. A.V.V.Raymond, D.D.,LL,D.,
Schenectady,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Raymond:

What is the date of the Commencement this year? It will be the 50th anniversary of my class. Do you know whether there has been any movement on the part of any one of them to secure a large attendance and class meeting?

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 15, 1905.

Mr. John E. Voorhees,
Amsterdam,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Brother:

I find that the International Sabbath School Convention, which I am expected to attend meets at Toronto, Canada, from June 23, to June 27th. I have also seen that last year the commencement was held on the 7th of June, and I presume that it will be about the same time this year. Permit me to suggest that you find out, I also will write to Schenectady for the time. If a few days one way or the other in June should make no difference at Albany, I wish it could be arranged that I could make both Albany and Schenectady with one trip. If I can not I will probably give up going to Schenectady, as I cannot leave the Office for three trips in June. I write you this early concerning the meeting at Toronto, in order that you may be shaping your plans also.

Leslie has gone to see Mary Vandiveer at Philadelphia.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.G.

Copy for Rev Edward Marsden

April 17, 1905.

To the Citizens of Metlakahtla Alaska
Care of Mess Alfred E. Atkinson and Frederick Ridley
Metlakahtla,
Alaska.

Sirs

The petition of December 5th, from the people of Metlakahtla, in convention assembled, asking for the establishment of an advanced school at Metlakahtla, was duly received.

I have delayed answering, simply because the whole question of schools in Alaska was being legislated for by Congress and we were not certain what Congress would do.

The questions concerning schools were not settled by Congress until March 3rd, the day before Congress closed its work. On the 27th of January Congress passed a bill separating the native and the white schools. The schools for white children and children of mixed blood that lead a civilized life, were placed under the Governor of Alaska as ex officio superintendent. The native schools, (which include the Metlakahtla school) were continued under the Bureau of Education.

The Bureau of Education with the recommendation of the Secretary of the Interior, asked for $100.000 to carry on said native schools from July 1, 1905, to June 30, 1906. Congress in its wisdom refused to give us the $100.000, but did give us the $50.000, which is not sufficient to carry on the schools already in operation.

With the limited funds at its disposal, the Bureau of Education will be unable to establish any boarding Schools and will be unable to start even some of the day schools that it has partly promised to do.

Metlakahtla being an important place this Office desires very much to assist you in the way of education, and if Mr. Wm. Duncan will cooperate with the citizens in requesting the Commissioner of Education, to send a teacher for the day school, we will try and pay his salary.

Regretting that I can not give you a more favorable answer and assuring you of my very deep interest in the welfare of your village, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Copy.

San Francisco, Cal., April 11, 1905.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

Your letters of April 3d and 6th have just been received. I thank you for your kind and prompt response to my letter of March 29th.

Referring to your letter of April 3d, I beg to say that your objection to the article which appeared in the "Cross Bearer" is deservedly taken. I was pained when I saw it. I wrote at once to Mr. Jenkins and told him that the publication of the paper must be discontinued at the end of the year. I made this limit for the sake of the subscribers; otherwise I would have ordered its burial at once. At that time I did not know that Mr. Jenkins had refused to publish in the "Cross Bearer" a reply to the said article. That was unfair and unjust. I will do all in my power to have his reply published, and while sorry for this I am conscious also of the unsatisfactoriness even of this.

May I add that while I am responsible for the "Cross Bearer" at the same time I have left everything to the editor in charge, neither having written for it myself nor having had previous knowledge of its contents. And again it is foreign entirely to me and my idea of the work, which you and I equally have at heart, to be a critic of others or pass judgment when the motives and facts are unknown to me.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) P. T. Rowe.

April 19, 1905.

Miss Katherine R. Crowell,
75 Evergreen Place,
East Orange, N. J.

Dear Miss Crowell:

Your package of pamphlets and photographs have safely arrived. Accept thanks for the same.

Kindly send me a copy of the booklet for Juniors as soon as printed.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 19, 1905.

Mr. C. A. Youngquist,
North Park College,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The Map of Alaska with location of mission stations to accompany the Reindeer Report for 1904 is now being printed. It will be the same size as the map of last year and probably the price will be the same, --- about 5 cents a map.

If your Society should wish some extra copies for the use of their churches and auxiliary societies, please let me know at once the number wanted and I will order the same for you.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 19, 1905.

Mr. I. H. Cammack,
111 S. Figueroa Street,
Los Angeles, Cal.

My dear Mr. Cammack:

We are now printing the map of Alaska with mission station for the Reindeer Report for 1904. It is the same size as that of last year. If you need extra copies for use among your churches and missionary societies let me know at once the number needed. I presume the cost will be the same as last year --- about 5 cents apiece.

As there is need of knowing speedily please telegraph the number wanted and let the expense of the telegram be collected of the Government at its end of the route.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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April 19, 1905.

Rev. James W. Cooper, D. D.
American Missionary Association,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Cooper:

The Map of Alaska containing mission stations is now being printed to accompany my Reindeer Report for 1904. If the Association wish some extra copies as in previous years, please write me at once, giving the number needed.

I should have attended to this weeks ago but sickness and pressure of accumulated duties have prevented.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 19, 1905.

Rev. Paul de Sweinitz, D. D.,
Bethlehem, Pa.

My dear Dr. Sweinitz:

We are now publishing the Map of Alaska to accompany the Reindeer Report for 1904. If your Society desire, as in former years some extra copies for the same, please write me at once how many copies you need.

I should have found this out weeks ago but was delayed by sickness and accumulated work.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 19, 1905.

The Literature Department,
Womant's Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Rue:

If the Home Mission Society wish extra copies of the Alaska Map, series of 1904, same size as last year, please send me as soon as possible the number wanted, as the maps are being printed.

I should have written to you weeks ago concerning this matter but was prevented by sickness and extra work.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 19, 1905.

Mrs. James McWhinnie,
510 Tremont Temple,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mrs. McWhinnie:

The Map of Alaska is now being printed for 1904. It will be of the same size as that issued last year. If your society care to order extra copies please let me know as early as possible, designating the number of copies that you wish.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

April 19, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
Methodist Mission Rooms, 150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Van Marter:

If you wish any Alaska Maps similar in size to those published a year ago, please write me the number that you wish as soon as possible; also indicate whether you are ordering for the Chicago branch of your society, or only for the New York branch.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 20. 1905

Photographs loaned Miss Humphery.

Lassoing a Reindeer. ✓

Homes of the Reindeer Herders.

Riding Reindeer in Siberia. ✓

~~Traveling with Reindeer.~~

Herd of Reindeer. ✓

Reindeer Herd Feeding. ✓

Reindeer Herd Resting. ✓

April 20th 1905—

Photographs loaned Miss L. B. Allen, 840 North Broad Street,
Elizabeth, N. J.

Presbyterian Industrial School, Sitka, Alaska.

Old Totems, Chilcat.

Group of Eskimo Girls, St. Michael.

Mission House, Gambell, Almost Buried in Snow.

Graveyard at Klukwan, Native Cemetery.

Native Village, Sitka, Alaska.

Rev. S. R. Spriggs, Dr. H. Richmond Marsh and Ruling Elder, Point Barrow, Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska, With the Presbyterian Mission on the Extreme Right

Old Totems at Kasaan, Alaska.

Group of Hydah School Children , at Klinquan, Alaska, with a Native Teacher, Mr. Samuel G. Davis.

An Eskimo Boy in Full Dress.

A Sewing Class of Eskimo Girls.

Eskimo Children Jumping the Rope on the Ice at Point Barrow, in the Long Arctic Night.

Group of Eskimo Boys.

Totem Poles at Sitka.

L.E.C.

April 20, 1905.

Rev. D. E. Curry,
York,
Pa.

Dear Brother:

Yours of the 13th is received and I know of no reason why I cannot visit York on April 30th, making an address in the morning as you suggest in your church, and in the evening for the Rev. Mr. Shields

I expect to leave Washington on the 3:30 p.m. train, which is due at York about 6 o'clock p.m.

Now as to subject, I can either give you an address on Missions in Alaska, or one on Home Missions in general, whichever you prefer. In the evening at the Moravian Church I will speak on the Alaska work of that church.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.W.C.

April 20, 1905.

Miss L. B. Allen,
840 North Broad Street,
Elizabeth, N. J.

My dear Miss Allen:

Yours of the 19th, is received and I send you at once a full copy of the Reindeer Report of 1903, proof sheets of the report for 1904, and an abstract of the Report for 1901, the full Report being out of print. I will also send you a few photographs.

I am very glad that you are going to get the loan of illustrations of Scribner's for the "Long Night.

I hope that you will find what you want to take from the Reports.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Enclosure

L.R.C.

April 20, 1905.

Rev. James W. Cooper, D. D.,
American Missionary Association,
Congregational House,
4th Ave & 22nd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Cooper:

I want to introduce to you Mr. Franklin Moses, who was a Government teacher for a while at St. Michael, Alaska, and gave good satisfaction. He is now willing to return to Alaska, and if his old field is not occupied with another teacher, we ~~would~~ will be very glad to return him to that place. As he is an active member of the Benificent Congregational Church of Providence, R. I. I have suggested to him that he apply to you for Mr. Lee's place, who is to leave Wales, Alaska.

While Mr. Moses has no wife, I understand that he will be accompanied by his Aunt, who was with him previously in Alaska.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

April 19, 1905.

Mrs. D. E. Finks,
400 William Street,
East Orange, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Finks:

I send you some items for your June paper extracted from the Missionary paper of the Quakers of southern California.

Items concerning our own missions, you probably get all you need from the letters at the rooms of the Board, and I believe that you receive the Magazines of the Woman;s Societies of the Baptist and Methodist Churches, which will give you a chance for clipping from those denominations. I also send you a late photograph of the Presbyterian "Triumvirate" in Alaska, which would be a fresh illustration for your Home Missionary.

After you are through with it, please return it to me as they are exceedingly scarce and I would like to have it for loaning when some other person applies for it.

Kind regards to your husband and daughter.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosures.

ITEMS.

Native Evangelists.

A trader at Point Hope, Arctic Alaska, writes, that in April 1904, Abraham Lincoln and Whittier Williams, two Eskimo mission boys came to that place and commenced talking with the Eskimo on the subject of religion and "that quite a religious revival had broken out among the natives".

At the Yukon mission station at Kotzebue, one of the oldest native women in the village, had walked ten miles to the fishing place and returned home having caught eight white fish. Entering the mission house very tired after her walk of twenty miles and looking up with a smile on her countenance, said to the missionaries, "Young up yonder with Jesus".

Sheshalik on the shores of the Arctic Ocean is ministered to by a mission boy fourteen years of age. Last May the Quaker missionary and his wife from Kotzebue, crossed an arm of the Ocean on the ice and held a meeting at that village. There being no house large enough to accomodate the audience, the services were held on the large field of snow.

An Eskimo Andrew and Phillip.

The Quaker missionaries at Kotzebue, unable to reach all the villages needing preaching in their neighborhood, utilized their mission boys. One of them recently returned to headquarters, holding up four fingers, joyfully said "Me find four Eskimos and bring 'em to Jesus".

An Eskimo church member of the upper Kowak River, having yielded to sin, went to the boy missionary in charge of the station and said, "Take my name off the book, I have been bad". As soon as the days were light enough for him to travel, he took his sled and dog team and came to the headquarter missions a distance of over 250 miles, to confess his sin publicly before the church. He was told of the promise of pardon in 1st John, 1st - 7th. Then the 51st Psalm was read and explained to him. He understood and experenced being washed whiter than snow. Rising in the meeting "Me bad up the River, (told what he had done). "Me heart all time sad". "Me pray Jesus . "Me think Jesus shall wash 'em up the River." "Me don't know ". "Me go mission". "Me speak". "Me happy now".

On Thanksgiving Day, 1904, the missionaries at Kotzebue gave a dinner to 125 of their Eskimo Christians. A little Eskimo girl hearing about the dinner came to the missionaries and said, "I like to give thanksgiving". Borrowing her Uncles dog team, she went several miles along the arm of the ocean on the ice and picked many quarts of frozen berries, which was her contribution to the dinner. One Eskimo boy who was enjoying his first Thanksgiving dinner, remarked "I am very happy, because it is Thanksgiving. I will be happier at Christmas and I will be still happier when Jesus comes ".

One delegation of 28 at the dinner came from a point 150 miles distant.

A Remarkable Scene.

Naboktatook is an Eskimo village on the Arctic Ocean and has long been a hot bed of heathenism. Many of the young people of this village have been to the Quaker mission at Kotzebue and renounced their heathenism. Early in March 1904, Mr. Thomas of Kotzebue, visited the village and held a series of meetings. These meetings were held in the field , Kashima (Public hall). Access to the Kashima , which is an underground house, was by a tunnel some 26 inches square, through which the missionary and the audience had to crawl. The audience room was without a chair or table or any furniture. The one window was a hole in the roof covered with seal membrane. Four tallow candles brought by the missionary and two seal oil lamps provided by the people, furnished the light. Into this room gathered the entire population of the village, with the exception of one old woman crippled with rheumatism.

Mr. Thomas took for his text "I am the Way the Truth and the Light". Two of his mission boys acting as interpreters. During the sermon the interpreter turned to the missionary and said "Our fathers and grandfathers do not believe in God". Scripture on the subject was found and explained to them. A medicine man the father of one of the boys sprang into the center of the room and told his story to which the boys promptly replied. Suddenly the man caught his breath and repeated over and over again the Eskimo words for "Me bad, me bad. My heart cry". He kneeled down and prayed and was comforted. Twenty-eight others were converted , and stood for Christ with prayer and confession. Two influential Shaman (medicine men) testified that they gave up their sorcery. The meeting lasted several hours.

The next morning at 5 o'clock the Missionary was up ready to go from house to house and talk with the people. In this visitation they met and prayed with the old woman who could not attend services the night before, and she renounced her heathenism and gave her heart to Jesus.

At 9 o'clock a native drum was beaten to call the people to the Kashimu and every person in the village was present. Four persons, who were the only ones who had stood out the night before, now renounced their heathenism and sought Christ as their Saviour.

Other villages were visited and the same scenes enacted until the missionary writes, that there is not a single heathen left within a radius of forty miles, although a number of villages are within that area.

Within the last three years over 700 adult Eskimos have renounced their heathenism and taken Jesus as their Saviour.

A Temperance Reformation.

For many years Kotzebue was headquarters for the liquor trade of Arctic Alaska. It is near the mouth of three large rivers up whose valleys liquor was carried for hundreds of miles into the interior. Drunkeness was universal. Men, women and children, even babes got drunk. Since this revival the entire population has reformed and of the more than 700 members of the Quaker Church, only two or three during the last year broke their pledge and these made a public confession of their sin, asking their fellow members to pray for them that they might be stronger against temptation..

L.E.C.

April 20, 1905.

Mr. John E. Voorhees,
262 Spring Street,
Amsterdam, N. Y.

Dear Brother:

Dr. Raymond of Union College, writes me that Commencement occurs at Schenectady on June 14th, and Tuesday June 13th, being Alumni day. Consequently if I go to Schenectady at all it will be June 13, and 14th.

Very truly yours,

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.P.C.

April 21, 1905.

Mrs. James McWhinnie,
510 Tremont Temple,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mrs. McWhinnie:

Since writing you yesterday, I have heard definitely from the printer that the Alaska map, about 3 x 4 feet in size, containing all the mission stations and up to date, can be had at five cents each, the same as last year. The Society can readily sell them to Auxiliaries at from ten to fifteen cents apiece and they would be cheap at fifty cents.

Kindly let me know as speedily as possible how many your Society can use during the year.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.H.C.

April 21, 1905.

Literature Department,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N, Y.

My dear Miss Rue:

Since writing you yesterday concerning the new map of Alaska, I have heard from the printer , and the price will be five cents as last year.

Please let me know as early as convenient the number that the society will order.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

April 21, 1905.

Mr. I. H. Cammack,
111 S. Figueroa Street,
Los Angeles, Cal.

My dear Mr. Cammack:

I have heard from the map publisher and the maps will be five cents apiece as last year; containing all the mission stations and all the churches in Alaska.

Please telegraph me the number you may wish to order.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.J.,

April 21, 1903.

Mr. C. A. Youngquist,
North Park College,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I wrote you yesterday to ascertain how many copies of the map of Alaska, containing all the mission stations in that country, your Society would like to order and then sell to your churches and missionary Societies. Since then I have heard from the publisher, that he could furnish them to you at five cents a copy, and your society will have no difficulty in selling them to your churches for ten cents a copy. The map is about 3 x 4 feet in size and is up to date.

Kindly let me know as early as possible how many you want.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.F.C.

April 21, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
Woman's Home Missionary Society,
150 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Van Marter:

Yours of yesterday, ordering 250 copies of the map, is received, and will be attended to as soon as we hear from the other societies.

I think you will be very much pleased with the new map.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 21, 1905.

Mr. John W. Wood,
Secretary, D & F Missions,
Church Missions House,
281 4th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Wood:

I send you an advanced copy of the map of 1904. They can be delivered to your Society in New York at the rate of five cents each and your Auxiliary Missionary Society will readily pay from ten to fifteen cents a copy.

Commencing with next year we expect greatly to reduce the size of the map, and consequently decrease the value of the map for placing on the walls of Auxiliary Missionary Societies. Under the circumstances, perhaps you will feel like ordering more than fifty copies certainly you will have a larger demand out of your denomination, than the fifty copies. Many of your local societies have applied to us for the map of last year, that we could not furnish because out of print when the application arrived.

If you think that you need more than fifty copies, please notify me as early as possible.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

Enclosure

U. S. Gen'l Agt. Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 21, 1905.

Miss L. E. Allen,
840 North Broad Street,
Elizabeth, N. J.

My dear Miss Allen:

In sending you yesterday some photographs, I am afraid that I mailed with your photos, another set which was intended for another party. At least I can not find them on my desk.

I enclose you a list of said photographs and if you find them among those sent you, kindly mail them to me at once.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.R.C.

April 21, 1905.

Rev. James W. Cooper, D.D.,
American Missionary Association,
4th Avenue & 22nd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Cooper:

Since writing you yesterday, I have heard from the printer, that the Alaska map, about 3x4 feet in size, containing the mission stations can be delivered at five cents apiece, and can readily be sold to your Auxiliary Societies at ten or fifteen cents each and would be cheap for any one who wished a good map of Alaska, up to date at fifty cents.

Please let me know as soon as possible how many your Society would like to order.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 21, 1905.

Rev. Paul de Schweinitz,
Bethlehem,
Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. de Schweinitz:

Your order for 18 maps is received and will be attended to. I have just had a letter from the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General which reads as follows:

> Hon. Sheldon Jackson:
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> Sir:
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> Your letter enclosing application for the establishment of a Postoffice at Quinhagak, Alaska, from J. H. Schoechert, missionary of the Moravian Church at Quinhagak and recommending such action by this Department has been received.
>
> In reply you are advised that the matter of establishing this Postoffice will be given prompt attention and action taken in the case at as early a date as practicable.
>
> Very respectfully,
>
> P. V. D. Graw,
> Fourth Ass't Postmaster Gen.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L. E. S.

April 21, 1905.

Mr. A. Hoen & Co.,
Station O.,
Baltimore, Md.

Sir:

Yours of April 20th, is received and I will furnish you the order at the earliest possible moment.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska

L.R.C.

April 21, 1905.

Hon. P. V. D. Graw,
Fourth Assistant Postmaster General,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Your letter of April 20th, promising prompt attention and action for the establishment of a Postoffice at Quinhagak, Alaska, is received with thanks.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.T.C.

April 22, 1905.

Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell,
Present.

My dear Doctor:

In accordance with your verbal request, I send you the following memoranda with reference to a man as assistant teacher and general helper at Cambell, St. Lawrence Island, Bering Sea.

First of all the man should be an earnest Christian with some missionary spirit.

2nd. It is important that he have a strong, rugged constitution.

3rd. That he be accustomed to hardships, or roughing it.

4th. That he have at least an ordinary common school education, able to read, write and cipher without difficulty.

5th. It is desirable that he should not only be married, but take his wife with him.

6th. It is preferable that they should have no children , or not more than one or two as there will be no opportunity of giving the children such an education as they ought to have.

7th. He should not be over forty-five or under eighteen years of age.

The Bureau of Education will pay necessary travelling expenses to destination, supply a house free of rent and give for the first year a salary of $900. If the man likes his work and is efficient in it, the salary will be, after the first year, increased to $1.000 provided he is married. The family supply their own food, clothing, fuel, light, bedding, etc., which he can furnish at San Francisco or Seattle at reasonable prices.

A schooner is sent ever summer to take up supplies to Gambell, so that the freight is also reasonable. At present on the Island in addition to the Eskimos , are Dr. and Mrs. Campbell, missionaries, two Christian Finlanders and their wives , the Finns in charge of the reindeer herd.

The firm of S. Foster & Co., of San Francisco, are expecting to establish a store at that place and are looking for a Christian man to take charge of the business. He will add another to the small Christian society of that place.

The duties of the assistant will be to take rations to the men in charge of the herd about once a month. In summer this trip will be taken by a small sail boat along the coast. In the winter the trip will be made by dog teams and snow shoes. The distance has been about twenty-five miles in the past, but I think that this season the ~~rail~~overland road may be from thirty-five to forty miles.

St. Lawrence Island like New Foundland is surrounded by cod-fish banks and the assistant can teach the natives better methods of catching and curing the cod-fish. We will also be glad if he is competent to take part in the work of helping the Doctor in case of a epidemic of sickness and assist in religious services or in other words an all round man, ready to turn his hand to almost anything that is required of him.

As the time for this season will be very short after you procure him, it will probably be necessary for him to pay his own travelling expenses as far as Seattle state of Washington.

At Seattle he can make out a bill for the same and send to the U. S. Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., for payment by the U. S. Government.

In his travelling expenses, it is required that each item of the expenses, except meals, to send with the bill a receipt for the expenses. The voucher should be made out in duplicate on Government paper which I enclose and sworn to before a Notary Public at Seattle, a blank for which also is enclosed.

At Seattle the man will call at the store of the Seattle Hardware Co's, who will make arrangements for him and assist him in further journey. To save time probably from New Foundland, the man had better buy a through emigrant or tourists ticket from New Foundland, by the way of the Canadian Pacific to Seattle, Washington. At Seattle he can ask the Seattle Hardware Company to arrange for his further passage from Seattle to Nome.

At Nome he can look up Mr. D. W. Mackay, who will assist him in arrangements at that place.

I will send to the Seattle Hardware Company a letter of introduction to Mr. Mackay and also a letter of introduction to the Missionaries on the Bering Sea coast. I will also arrange for the Revenue Cutter to take the man and his family from Nome down to St. Lawrence Island.

Not only during the journey to Seattle but while at Seattle and his journey to Nome and at Nome, he should keep a careful account of his expenses, taking receipts for all moneys paid out, except for meals, so that the Government can re-emburse him for his outlay.

Now with regard to a Christian man to take charge of the store. I send you a copy of an offer which Messrs Foster & Co., made to a friend of mine and I think that he made a mistake in declining to accept. As the store keeper will not be under the Government, we can not of course help him to his travelling expenses, but traveling with the assistant teacher, referred to in a former part of the letter, he will get considerable assistance and help on the journey.

It will be well for him to have a wife as it is no country for an unmarried man.

In crossing the continent , if they find it more convenient, they can go to Portland, Maine and travel on the Grand Trunk of Canada, or on the American roads through St. Paul, Minnesota, and from thence by the Northern Pacific R. R. to Seattle. I do not know whether there is any difference in the rates or not.

As soon as you secure the men, kindly telegraph me at the expense of this Office, giving the name of the teacher and what family he will have with him, also about what time they expect to reach Seattle.

Praying that you may have Divine guidance in your selections, I remain,

Sincerely your
fellow-worker for humanity,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

COPY.

San Francisco, Cal.
March 3, 1905.

Mr. Frederick E. Willard,
Fort Yukon, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of Jan. 11th is at hand, asking what terms we could offer you for conducting a store at St. Lawrence Island or elsewhere, and referring to Dr. Sheldon Jackson and others as to your qualifications.

The letter comes at an opportune moment, as we have been in correspondence with Dr. Jackson on the same subject. We have obtained permission from the Secretary of the Interior to establish and maintain a store at Gambell, St. Lawrence Island, for the purpose of supplying the natives with provisions, hardware, firearms, etc., in exchange for whalebone, ivory, furs etc., and expect to make a first shipment of two or three thousand dollars worth of goods by our schooner Laura Madsen, sailing from San Francisco May 15th. There has been no store on the Island heretofore, although a whaling station has been there for several years, which probably has done more or less trading with the natives. In addition to this, several whaling vessels have been accustomed to touch at the Island and barter with the natives in the spring or early summer. You probably are familiar in a general way with the work of the Presbyterian Mission there, and also know that the island is set apart as a reindeer reservation. We have been supplying from San Francisco the missionaries and the herders, but have had no direct dealings with the native population. It is now desired to open a store there, by means of which the natives can obtain supplies at any time of year, and which store will be entirely free from the taint of liquor traffic. We should imagine that after the first year, when the store is fairly established and becomes the recognized source of supply, the native trade would amount to five or six thousand dollars per annum. For the first year it may not be more than one-half this amount, for the reason that the whaling vessels will have done their trading before the store is opened, and because the natives do not yet know that we are entering the field. We have therefore to plan conservatively for the first year's store business.

We are glad to know that you are familiar with native ways, and we think that you are well qualified by birth, training and experience in Alaska to undertake the work of establishing this store at Gambell. Its success will depend very largely upon you. If we could gauge the extent of the native trade this first year, or estimate with any degree of certainty the profits of the first year, we might be able to offer you a fixed salary. It appears to us ,however, that the best way to arrange your compensation would be to offer you, say one-third of the profits of the store, trusting that after the first year the business will grow, and that while the initial profits may not be large, they would increase from year to year as the volume of trade increases, so that you would have the prospect of betterment as an incentive for your best efforts. On this basis we are telegraphing you to-day via Eagle as per enclosed copy of telegram, and hope to receive your acceptance of the offer at an early date, in which case it would be desirable that you come to San Francisco during the month of April to talk over business matters, become somewhat familiar with the goods in our store here, and interview some young Eskimos aboard the Revenue Cutter Thetis, who belong at St. Lawrence Island. The schooner Laura Madsen will sail from this port May 15th, taking supplies to the stations along the coast of Bering Sea and the Arctic Ocean. You will have cabin passage to St. Lawrence Island by this vessel in company with Capt. and Mrs. Cook, and we will defray the expense of your trip from Fort Yukon to San Francisco via Skagway.

Trusting these arrangements will be satisfactory, we remain,

Yours very truly,

S. Foster & Co.

COPY. L.B.C,

Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.
March 24, 1905.

My dear Brother:

I was so glad to hear from you and that you are all well. I hope mother will get better. I am glad that you have lots of deer and I hope you will take good care of them.

Dear brother I am not ready to come home yet. There are lots of things to learn before I come homm. When I come home I am going to be a teacher like Mr. and Mrs. Spriggs.

I am not old enough yet to come home. If I come I would not get along as I do here I don't want to live like the people up there. I know you all want to see me and txa are anxious for me to come soon. And I want to see you all and I love you more now than ever and will never forget you all. But you must not be so anxious for me to come. I have learned what is best for me here and I want to stay and learn all I can while I have a chance. The people are so kind and willing to help me with my work. And I have a good teacher. If I go home now I would not be happy and well I know you would not like that. When I come home the things will be better up there. The people are trying to make our home a better country and it will be more like it is here. Everything is getting better every year. I don't want to come until I am a better girl and be a strong to stand when temptations come.

If I don't see mother when I come I will see her in a better place and she will be well and happy when she died. We never know when we will died.

I want you all to love our dear Saviour more and do what is right Be kind to others and try to help them and tell them to tell the truth and speak kind words to them. I have lots of kind friends. We have a nice church here. On Tuesday evening we have prayer meeting and talk about what is right and other thing that will help us in our work and try to help others. And on Sunday we have a Bible band where we study about Christ. Now you see I have to learn to be a teacher and to be a good Christian before I can be a teacher.

We can not do good to others if we are not Christian. I have found out now since I have been trying to love God. And dear brother you must not get discouraged when you do anything and if you don't do right try again and ask God to help you. Have you and sister a Bible? You must tell me when you write to me if you don't have one. I will send you one. You can read it and tell it to others if you can. You must try to learn English because when I come home I can talk you. I have forgotten my language I can talk just lite. I think you can write and read better now. I can tell it from your letters to me that are learning.

Every time you write to me they are better. Have you enought a writting paper and some stamps? Because I want you to write and tell me about home. And if you need a writting and some stamps for you to write to me. Can Alalik write and read. I want her to write to me if she can when you write to me. I am so thankful that you can write a letter to me and it make me happy when you write to me. I know there is not other who could write to me if you did write to me. I mean native and tell me about home. And the Missionaries are so kind to write to me, and I want you to know them and learn all you can from them. God has sent them up there to teach you people.

I know He has brought me here to learn of Him. And you must be thankful that I am here where there are good people and good homes. And I want you to wait patiently for me and not worry about me. I am safe here here and don't think I have forgotten you for you know I shall never forget you. And don't think I do not want to come homeat all. I want to see you as much as you want to see me, only I want to learn more. Sometimes we children here at our school are sent to the white people family to live with for a while and they are so good to us and they teach us how do things. This summer I going out to the place to live with white people.

When ever you write to me you must it sent to the Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

Well dear parents I am very sorry I can not come home just yet. I know you are anxious for me and I'm anxious to go home too. If I go home now I would not like it and would get sick because I am not old enought to care of myself like they live here. You must be glad that I am here and waite patiently till I come. Well you must try your best whatever you do and our dear Saviour. Give my love sisters and mother. Good by dear brother, write me as soon as you can.

Your own sister,

Coodlalock.

COPY.

Carlisle, Pa.

March 26, 1905.

Dear Mrs. Spriggs:-

It gives me so much pleasure to hear from and to know about you all there. And yet it is only once a year mail comes and I cannot tell you how thankful I am for the letters you write.

This is my last Sunday here this summer. I am going out to the country and come back in September. There are great (many) of us going out.

I have been well only this winter. I missed nearly four weeks of school. I was at the hospital. But now I am well again and going to school. I am promoted to the sixth grade. I have six rooms to go through before I finish here. I get along alright in my studies only my language lesson is little hard for me. I am glad I did not go home and yet I dont like to disappoint my people. I guess they think I never will come home because I always tell them I'll stay longer. And it is longer to me than to us here. I dont feel that I have been here seven years. And I have made up my mind to stay little longer, and when I go home I want to be a teacher. I told my brother I was going stay and not go home yet. And I hope he will understand why I am staying. I wish you and Mr. Spriggs would explain to them if you have time because I want them to understand.

I hope my sister Alalik will go to school as much as she can and learn all she can. She is the youngest of us and I am next to her.

I used to wonder about things in other countries where sailors come from in the summer when the ships come. And I used to think there was no other land beside ours only home. I have studied about all of them now.

When I came here my mother did not know I came because she was off to the land and I did not know I was going away from all. Father and two of my sister~~s~~ and brother went to the coast to see the ships and Dr. Jackson asked my father if I could come here, and he said I could if I wanted to so I said yes. And I don't know what mother said about it when she did not see me come home with the rest. They have not told me and I have never forgot it. And father was willing for me to come here. And I am glad I came.

We were at Point Clarence when I left home and my parents went back to Point Barrow after five years there.

There were some Lapland people were going from Pt. Clarence in the same ship when we girls came here and some could talk our language we used to tell the captain to turn back and take us back home.

I did not go to Mrs. Edge last summer, I went near here . The people's name were Barnitz. It was a nice place to live they treated me like their child. It was different from Mrs. Edge. I mean they did not treat like their working girl.

At Mrs. Barnitz she just took me as her child. I like both of them and they are Christian ladies.

The school is changing in some things because we have a new man for Superintendent. And the teachers who have been here a long time when General Pratt was here are going away and new teachers will come.

Think there is no other man who could take General Pratt place and do as much he did because he started this school and loved all Indian boys and girls. Some many are going home too. This [illegible] [illegible] name is Capt. Mercer. He is so different from General Pratt. He never give us speeches like General did he never give good [illegible]

General Pratt used to talk to the whole school every saturday evening and we would have sociables only once a month, but now we have them every week. Capt. Mercer like to have pleasure. He smokes and some boys are using it here because they see him do it. Some children don't like him. But he is very nice. But we all rather have our old dear General Pratt and we are sorry he is gone. And he knows when we need pleasure and when not to have it. And I think so many of boys and girls think about pleasure and not school life now.

We are sorry about the teachers going away. They have been so good to me. One of them was my teacher when I first came and she is a good Christian and I never will forget her as long as I live.

We just came back from the chaple, and we had a funeral. This afternoon One girls died from Alaska. There were four Alaskan died and last year; Some times I get so lonely for home and for nice fish. I cannot eat the fish here. They keep them too long. When we first came here they used to give us fish and other nice things to eat for about a year. Some time fish was not good as home. If I go home I know I'll miss the vegetables here. I remember when I first ate the apple. I did not like it but now I like the apple and some times we get so hungry for them in winter.

We had a very nice commencement and some graduates are going home.There were three Alaskan girls graduated this commencement.

I am glad you are all well. I know it is a hard place to live for those not used to the country.I know it was to me when I first came. Sometimes I cannot realize how much this school has done for me yet when I think about it how thankful I am for it. Some Indian girls and boys are always complaining about this school don't seem to be thankful for what the government has done for them.

Sometimes when they graduate and not graduated and go home they go back to Indian live and would not work for their people and help them.

I often say to myself when I go home I'll try show what this school had done for me by trying my best and do some good to my people What I have learned here.

It is such nice day to-day and the grounds round the school here are so pretty in the summer. They are turning green now.

Will you please try to make my parents understand that I am not coming home just yet. I will close now with best wishes to all and best regards to you both.

I'll be so (glad) to hear from you again.

Sincerely your friend,

Annie Cooglalock.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. Samuel H. Greene, D. D.,

1320 Q Street, N. W.,

Washington, D. C.

Rev. & Dear Sir:

Permit me to again make an annual call upon your people for Magazines and illustrated papers, (regardless of dates) for distribution in Alaska.

As I have no means of collecting the same I will ask that they be sent to the Bureau of Education, N. E. corner of 8th and G streets, N. W.

These publications are primarily sent to the Mission Stations and Government Schools in Alaska, many of them situated at points where ~~their~~ the occasional winter mail brings no fresh printed matter. From the mission stations and schools they ultimately find their way to the log cabins of the miners and help relieve the monotony and dreariness of the long Arctic night.

Thanking you and your Church for what they have done in past seasons I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. Charles F. Winbigler,
1405 W Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Reverend and Dear Sir:

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Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

W.F.P.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. D. J. Stafford,
619 10th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. J. D. LaMothe,
Church of the Epiphany,
Washington, D. C.

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Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. J. G. Butler, D. D.,
1107 11th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. Tunis S. Hamlin,
1316 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. Joseph T. Kelly, D.D.,
1316 Kenesaw Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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Very respectfully yours,

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General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. Wallace Radcliffe, D.D.,
1200 K Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905, 1905.

Rev. Donald C. McLeod, D.D.,
1819 O Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

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Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Rev. Stephen M. Newman, D.D.,
1818 M Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

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Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 25, 1905.

Miss Annia Coodlalook,
Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Friend:

In accordance with your permission I have read with much interest your letters to your brother and to Mrs. Spriggs, and when the time comes I will send them to Point Barrow. I hope your brother will write you a good letter in return and tell you all the news about your friends.

I am glad that you are going out to the country for the summer. I think it is a good thing for the children; they learn so much more in the country for they see how the better class of American people live.

Ever your friend,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 25, 1905.

Mrs. Dolos E. Finks,
400 William Street,
East Orange, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Finks:

Yours of the 21st is just received. I enclose you copies of a letter that Annie Coodlalook enclosed to me to send to her brother and sister at Point Barrow, and to Mrs. Spriggs, the missionary at the same place. The letters have greatly touched me, both as to her improvement in her studies and in the thoughtfulness and maturity of her Christian character. She is a full-blooded Eskimo from Point Barrow where her mother (her father is dead) and brother and sister are members of the Presbyterian Church. She came here seven years ago without knowing a word of the English language.

I thought that some time you might be able to use them, or extracts from them, in the Magazine.

If the negative would be better for Mr. Finks to secure a stereopticon slide from the trio I think the negative is with a prominent photographer in Philadelphia and he would probably make a slide from it direct.

With kind remembrances to your husband and daughter, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson
Gen'l Agt.

(Enclosures.)

April 25, 1905.

Rev. James W. Kirk,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Brother:

I am glad that you are at Juneau where you have a larger and more important field.

I write you to say that Mr. George Clifton Heard, who has been, I believe, a ruling elder and an active working Christian in one of our Presbyterian churches in this city, has recently married the daughter of a friend of mine,---a good Christian young woman --- and they are soon, if they have not already done so, to remove to Juneau. I trust that you will find them helpful in your church work.

Mr. Heard is a lawyer.

Not knowing at the time that you had removed to Juneau I ~~have~~ sent some plans and specifications to the Rev. L. F. Jones for the use of contractors and builders who might wish to bid on the erection of government school houses in Alaska.

The first advertisement was no use; the bids were so excessive in price that they were all cast out. A new advertisement is now being sent to the Juneau papers and the advertisement states that plan and specifications can be found with Mr. Jones. I wish you would say to the Editors, especially of the papers that receive the advertisement, that you will take Mr. Jones's place and that the plans and specifications may be found at your rooms, or at any public place that you may designate. In a few days I hope to send you a package of the same.

Trusting that your health is imporved, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 25, 1905.

Mr. Floyd E. Davis,
501 Seventh Street, S. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I enclose you the list that I promised you. When you have looked it over and given it consideration please call upon me some time at the office and talk it over with me.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

April 25, 1905.

Miss E. S. Cromwell,
1707 Willard Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Madam:

Please accept thanks, at this late day, for your complimentary ticket to Mrs. Pepper's Travel Talk before the Woman's National Press Association, April 7th. I greatly regretted that it was not in my power to be present.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 25, 1905.

Mr. A. Hoen & Co.

Publishers, Station O,

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs:

The missionary societies from whom I expected the largest orders took so many copies last year that they still have a number on hand and therefore are unwilling to order very many this year. And on that account I am not able to secure orders for 1500, but can give you order for 1000 copies at $50.

I hope you will be able to let the missionary societies and the government have that number. If this is satisfactory you can print them at your earliest convenience and send them to this office. Please send them in rolls of 100 copies in each, as that will add greatly to our convenience in their distribution.

Kindly drop me a postal that I may know whether to expect them.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent &c.

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April 25, 1905.

Mrs. James McWhinnie,
510 Tremont Temple,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Madam:

I have constant applications for leaflets and information concerning mission work in Alaska from all over the United States. Permit me to suggest to your literature committee that they have a list of your Alaska literature, with prices and address of the office printed. If I had such a list I could simply enclose it to them and I think you would get more than enough orders to repay the expense of printing. When I get such a request I have not time to sit down and copy your list. Think it over and if it meets with the approval of your committee send me a couple of hundred copies of such list.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 25, 1905.

Miss S. Catherine Rue,
Literature Department, Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Rue:

I have constant applications for leaflets and information concerning mission work in Alaska from all over the country.

Permit me to suggest to your Literature Committee that they have a list of your Alaska literature with prices and P.O. address of the office printed. If I had such a list I could simply enclose it to them and I think you would get more than enough orders for literature to repay the expense. When I get such a request I have n't time myself to sit down and copy your list. Think it over and if it meets the approval of your Committee send me a couple of hundred copies of such list.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 25, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
Methodist Mission Rooms,
150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Van Marter:

I have constant applications for leaflets and information concerning mission work in Alaska from all over the United States. permit me to suggest to your literature committee that they have a list of your Alaska literature with prices and address of the office printed. If I had such a list I could simply enclose it to them and I think you would get more than enough orders to repay the expense of printing. When I get such a request I have not time to sit down and copy your list. Think it over and if it meets with the approval of your committee send me one or two hundred copies of such list.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Washington D.C. Apr 26 5

Mr H. C. Olin
Bd of H.M. New York N.Y.

My dear Mr Olin

Yours of Yesterday concerning Mission land at Haines is received

I would certainly enter a protest against opening the Street through the land.
The protest should be made both at the Land Office at Sitka + General Land Office at Washington. Have Mr Macintosh keep you informed of the progress of matters and it may become necessary for a Comtee of the Board to come to Washington + see the President and Sec of War.

If you could get Senators Platt and Depew & other influential Congressmen when in Washington to see the Secretary of the Interior & ~~Hon.~~ Commissioner of Genl. Land Office it will be helpful in getting the Survey pushed. There is no good reason why the Survey should be delayed year after year ~~but indiffer~~

Sincerely yours Sheldon Jackson

L.N.C.

April 27, 1905.

Mr. William A. Kelly,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Kelly:

In giving closer consideration to the school law of January 27, I find that the Aleuts do not come within the province of the Bureau of Education but belong to the schools that are placed under the Governor as ex officio superintendent; consequently the following schools which have been under our control for the year 1904 & '05, are no longer so, but belong to the Governor, to wit: Chignik, Ellamar, Haines (white), Hope, Kenai, Kodiak, Seldovia, Seward, Sitka (white) Teller City, Unalaska, Unga and Wood Island.

At Afognak the Aleut will be discontinued and the Indian school at that place taken up in the same building, provided, the children from the Indian village can be induced to attend.

With regard to the above schools the Commissioner will continue to pay the salaries of the old teachers until the close of the school year May 31, and where a teacher drops out and a new teacher applies for salary since January 27, it will not be granted, also incidental expenses for fuel and light incurred since March 3, will not be allowed.

With regard to Mrs. A. N. Anderson at Juneau, I am very sorry for her, but the Commissioner does not consider himself under any responsibility to pay her salary from January 27, to May 31, as she was not appointed by the Bureau of Education. We are carrying on as you see by previous statement, the white schools until May 31, but we do not propose taking any new schools between January 27, and May 31, as our appropriation is so small that we may have to close some of our schools next year. The Commissioner has telegraphed Mrs. Anderson that he was unable to take her up as a teacher between January 27, and May 31.

I now write unofficially. My private opinion is, that if both you and the Rev. Mr. Jones desire to have Mrs. Anderson at Juneau for the year commencing September 1, 1905, I will recommend to the Commissioner, that she be appointed at probably a salary of $70. per month for the school year commencing September 1, 1905.

Permit me to thank you very much for the article written to the Record-Miner, defending my appointment of teachers in Alaska. It was more happily put than I could have done myself and I do not see how any right thinking man can fail to approve, under the circumstances, the method that is being pursued in the selection of teachers.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

April 27, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
Methodist Mission Rooms,
150 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Van Marter:

In writing to the several mission organizations to ascertain how many maps were wanted, I failed to make up the total number of 1.500 upon which was based the low price of five cents each. With the help of your order I can make up 1.000 copies for which the printer demands six cents each. That would make the 250 copies that you ordered come to $15.00. Are you willing to continue the order at six cents each?

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

April 27, 1905.

Mr. A. Hoen & Co.,
Chester, Chase & Biddle Sts.,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is received. The orders for maps from the Missionary Societies were based on the price of five cents each. Before ordering, it will be necessary for me to write to the several parties and see if they will give the same order at six cents each. I was unable to secure orders for the 1.500.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

April 27, 1905.

Mr. John W. Wood,
Church Missions House,
281 4th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Much obliged for the three copies of "Spirit of Missions", just received.

In writing to the several missionary societies to ascertain the number of maps wanted, I failed to make up 1.500 copies, upon which the five cent proposition was based. The printer now asks six cents a copy on the new basis of ordering 1.000 copies.

Are you willing to continue your order of 100 copies for $6.00 which is six cents apiece?

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education foe Alaska.

L.E.C.

May 1, 1905.

Rev. R. G. McNiece,
1136 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake, Utah.

Dear Brother McNiece:

I hope the Presbytery of Utah have sent you to the Assembly, not only on account of the Presbytery and College interests, but also on account of your own health. You have been so long under a continuous strain, that I think you should take a vacation between the close of the College term and the recommencement of school next fall. Come on to the General Assembly. It will be an important year for the college interests. The college should be represented at the Conference meeting, which will be held by the college board and the representatives of the several small colleges of the West. I hope Dr. Wishard will be there because of his position as Synodical missionary and being there will be able to help in college matters.

Some one has told me that one of your boys graduates this year at Princeton. That is an additional reason for your coming on. Then when you are on, we hope to have you visit Washington, and be our guest during your stay. We will try some way to keep you all summer in the East.

Ask Brother McLean to please send me an account of Dr. Dickson's visit. I send you the bulletin of the Buena Vista College, telling of his visit at that Institution.

I hope to go ~~come~~ to New York before the meeting of the Assembly and ~~hope~~ to secure a personal interview with Dr. Dickson ~~him~~ myself.

I am very sorry to hear of the injury to your arm and shoulder and hope that if not wholly restored to its wonted vigor, it is in process of restoration.

If you will come on East and take a rest, I will help you $50. worth and am sorry that I am not so situated that I could take the whole expense.

Kind regards to Mrs. McNiece.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.F.C.

May 2, 1905.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Governor of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

Yours of April 19, is just received and I note what you say with regard to the Aleut schools.

You will notice in Section 7, that Congress distinctly classes together the white and the mixed blood who lead a civilized life, and then classifies under the Bureau of Education the Eskimos and Indians alone. Neither "the Eskimo or Indian" ~~of these classes~~ comprise the Aleut population. Consequently, when the law was read critically it was decided that the Aleuts did not belong to the Bureau of Education.

I agree with you, that this will be a loss to the Aleuts, that they will not carry on schools as efficiently ~~among them~~ when controlled by themselves as when controlled by this Office.

The Interior Department has also decided that the Bureau of Education can not retain its unpaid local school committees. If we wish to retain their services we must give them a salary which we are unable to do. Consequently, at the close of the present fiscal year June 30, the Office of local committees will be discontinued.

Then again if the Aleuts had been continued under this Office some of the schools among their people , as also among the Eskimo and Indians, would have been closed for the want of funds.

The Secretary of the Interior asked Congress for $100.000 to carry on the native schools in Alaska and we need every cent of it. The House of Representatives refused to appropriate anything. The Senate voted $75.000 and in the Conference Committee the members of the House of Representatives had it stricken down to $50.000 .

We have been figuring for the last month to see where we can reduce salaries and do without certain necessary supplies, in order to find how many schools we can keep going. The probabilities are that we will be unable to open some of the native schools next fall for want of funds. I feel somewhat blue over the situation.

With kind regards to your household, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

COPY.

L.E.C.

April 29, 1905.

Sir:

As supplemental to my letter of April 10, 1905, submitting for your approval proposed plans of operations for the coming season as to education in Alaska and the introduction of reindeer in Alaska, I beg to add three exhibits. It is well known that only one communication with all the stations by personal visit can take place in the calendar year. This must be accomplished during the time when the ice is out of Bering Sea, out of the bays on the North Pacific, and out of the Arctic Ocean sufficiently to allow the Revenue Cutter of the Treasury Department to visit Point Barrow, and out of the rivers sufficiently to allow the small steamboats that ply for two or three months from the mouth of the Yukon to its upper waters.

Three tables have been prepared, one to show the exact situation in which the schools and reindeer stations were left at the close of the visits made during the summer season of 1904, namely on October 1 or, practically, the first of July the beginning of the new fiscal year, the date used in the table.

The second item is that of changes which were ordered to take place after the freezing of the streams and bays in Alaska say some-

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Interior.

time between December and February. During the coldest season a continuous journey may be made across the country without difficulty because the rivers are frozen and the hollows are filled up with snow and have a hard surface that will support travelers on foot or travelers with reindeer sledges. Nothing but mountains prevent a straight route across the country from one point to another by compass, as on the ocean. These changes that are ordered to take place during the winter when it is possible to move reindeer from one station to another, without swimming rivers, form the second item of the present report.

The third item contains information as to the number of adult reindeer supposed to be on hand in each station after the changes of the winter have been made, and the estimate of the number of fawns expected to be born at the station during the fawning season which begins in the latter part of March and lasts until the first of June.

The three items contain, therefore, the statistics of the herds and the schools as they were left on our annual visit last October. In the next place they contain the changes which have been ordered from the Bureau of Education to take place when the traveling season begins after the closing of the rivers by frost. Thirdly, the expectation as to fawns and the total of fawns and the older reindeer so that on this summer's visit an inspection can be made rapidly by comparing the figures of last year and what is expected at this Office this year with the actual figures that are to be obtained at the several stations.

I have brought together the statistics of the three items into three exhibits, and the following is a capitulation of the contents of each of the three exhibits:

Exhibit I contains information as to the employes, the apprentices, the herders, and the ownership of the deer at each station.

Exhibit II contains in the first seven columns a summary of items of ownership of reindeer by totals for each station, and in the columns 8 and 9 the changes ordered to take place in the traveling season after the freezing of rivers. Columns 10 to 14 give the expectations as to total numbers before and after the fawning season has passed, the estimate showing an expectation of 3,407 fawns to be added to the whole, making a total of 11,596 reindeer for the year 1905, a total which is probably to be reduced by 223 for deaths and for sale of superfluous male reindeer.

Exhibit III includes the Government reindeer not loaned to stations, together with the number of fawns expected. 553 fawns being the estimate, and making a total of 1,704 reindeer, old and young, in the Government herds in various places.

Very respectfully
your obedient servant,
(Signed) W. T. Harris.

Commissioner.

Washington D.C. May 3rd 5

Mr Wm D. Baldwin
1734 Q St. Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

This is to Certify that on May 3rd I received from two Collored Men and a boy fifteen volumes of Annual Ency-Clopedia. and 6 volumes of the Monarchies of Europe in good Condition.

I paid the Men their Charge for the Express Waggon.

Your Contribution is so much more valuable than those usually sent in that I write to ascertain Whether you would be Willing to allow me to transfer the books from Alaska to Utah. At our Alaska Stations the homes are so small and Conditions so Crude and the White Men so few in a given locality, that I feel the books would do More good in the library of Westminister College Salt Lake City

Utah. This college is the only institution of higher learning in Utah that is not under Mormon control and was started to give a chance to the Mormon young women & men who are struggling to get away from their early environment.

Your books are greatly needed in that library and would reach a much larger circle of people in Utah than in Alaska.

As soon as the books were received I determined to write you on the subject.

If however you greatly prefer their being sent to Alaska, to Alaska they shall go. Thanking you for the donation I remain

Very truly yours
Sheldon Jackson

May 5, 1905.

Mr. F. W. Baker,

Seattle Hardware Company, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

Mr. G. S. Clevenger's bill for $3150 for freight from Seattle to Copper Center, Alaska, has just been received.

It will facilitate payment if you can procure from the steamship company on which Mr. Clevenger shipped the supplies, horses, horse-feed, etc. from Seattle to Valdez a receipted bill in Mr. Clevenger's favor for a total number of tons at the usual rate per ton.

The number of tons can be obtained by taking the total amount of freight which your firm, or some other friend, paid, and dividing this total by the rate per ton charged by the same steamer from Seattle to Valdez. The quotient will give the required number of tons.

The receipted bill should read as follows:

Seattle, Wash.

G. S. Clevenger to ....Steamship Company...Dr.

To......tons of freight at $.... per ton from Seattle to Valdez, ..$........

Received payment

....

I notice that $1471.78 is made payable to your firm, and $250 to Herman Meyer. Is the balance payable to Mr. Clevenger himself ?

Thanking you for your kind assistance, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U.S.Gen'l.Agt.,Education for Alaska.

May 5, 1905.

Dr. George M. Gould,
1630 Locust Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I want a copy of the latest Year Book for the use of a Medical Missionary at St. Lawrence Island, Alaska, who has but one mail a year. I sent him in the spring of 1904 one of "Gould's Year Books" and now he wants another for the spring of 1905.

I enclose you a couple of penalty slips which will pay the postage on the books. Address the Commissioner of Education, Alaska Division. Please attend to it as speedily as possible and send bill to me personally, care of the Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

2 Enclosures.
Penalty Slips

May 8, 1905.

Mrs. Catharine R. Crowell,
75 Evergreen Place,
East Orange, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Crowell:

Yours enclosing copy of Alaska for Juniors, is received. Please ask the Society to send me two more copies for my assistants who helped secure so many photographs. Then send me the price of the book so that I can buy ~~ten~~ five or more copies. Where can I order the book?

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

May 8, 1905.

Rev. James Stuart Dickson,
Board of College Aid,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Dickson:

I had hoped to have been able to visit New York and have a conference with you concerning Westminster College; Salt Lake. It is barely possible that I may arrange to be present two or three days at the Assembly at Winona Lake.

Can you give me any approximate indication of what day or days the representatives of the Western Colleges will hold their conference? as I would like very much to be present at those meetings but cannot give the time to be present throughout the whole Assembly.

My daughter (Miss Delia) frequently speaks of the good time that you and your family gave her on the trip to Europe.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

May 8, 1905.

Dr. William H. Roberts, D.D., LL.D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Roberts:

I expect to attend the International Sunday School Convention at Toronto and spend the Sabbath there, June 25th. If it is not too much trouble for you, please notify some leading Presbyterian Minister of that city that if they care to have an address on Alaska, or on Mormonism, that I will be glad to speak that day.

I am glad to see that you are mentioned as one of the celebrities to be present on that occasion.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

May 8, 1905.

Rev. George T. Webb,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I expect (D.V.) to represent Alaska at the International Sunday School Convention at Toronto June 23d to 27th. If any of the Hotels offer you free entertainment for delegates I will be glad to be assigned to one; if the Hotels do not offer free entertainment please assign me to a Presbyterian family.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

May 8, 1905.

Rev. Bernard Bryan,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I expect to represent Alaska at the International S. S. Convention, Toronto, June 23 to 27.

Having been many years a Presbyterian Home Missionary on the frontier in the United States and Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly (1897), if any of the strong Presbyterian Churches woned like a missionary address on Mormonism or on Alaska June 25th, I will be very glad to correspond with them

Kindly send this letterto one of the leading Presbyterian Ministers of your city.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of
Education in Alaska.

May 8, 1905.

Mr. Marion Lawrence,
Toledo, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Lawrence:

I am very happy in the thought that I can attend the Convention at Toronto June 23 - 27, and you may have me five Alaska Badges struck off.

I do not now know of any delegates from Alaska but myself but may possibly run across some one before the Convention meets.

If you should want me to make an address on Mission Sunday School work in Alaska of half an hour notify me in advance and I will take my Map with me. Simply for a few minutes talk on Sabbath School conditions in the call for States and Territories it will not be worth while to take the Map. I shall try to get an opportunity in one of the large Presbyterian churches in Toronto on Sunday either for a talk on Alaska or on Mormonism. What credentials do I need to secure entertainment?

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

May 6, 1905

Mr. William A. Kelly,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Kelly:

I notice in your letter of April 19th what you say concerning the teachers at Jackson, Klukwan, and the native school at Sitka. I hope you will continue to give me confidential information regarding the work and efficiency of the teachers and their influence both in and out of the school room.

If you do not care to have such observations go on record you can write them to me in separate letters from the letter giving official information concerning the school.

If a teacher does not take an interest in the children outside of school as well as in school they are not the teachers I want, and at the close of the first year after this is found out I want to drop them. I shall expect you to sift all the teachers in your district in this respect.

The teacher at Sitka received her appointment largely on the ground that in addition to her qualifications as a school room teacher that she was accustomed to labor outside of the school room for the welfare and moral uplift of her pupils. If she has not done this she has failed to do at Sitka what she has claimedto do at other place For teachers in the native schools we cannot get the best results if the teacher has not a love for the pupils that will cause her to constantly study what may help them along.

I hope that with the opening of the schools next fall you will make the same condition as that made by the Juneau board with Mrs Anderson, that if the teacher did not visit the native homes and take pains to encourage the children to attend school that the schools would be closed when they run down to a mere handful of pupils.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Send me a list of Salaries for next year ~~in ea~~ that should be paid in each of the schools under your care, and designate the number of Months each School should be kept open.

May 6, 1905.

Dr. Charles L. Thompson, D. D.,
Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Thompson:

In response to your recent letter I would state that I do not expect to attend the General Assembly at Winona Lake. & yet may.

Thanking you for your appointment of recent date I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

What are your plans with reference to D. K. Montgomery? It is a waste of material to keep him & Mr Law both at Kasaan. If you expect to retain Mr Montgomery in the Alaska work, why not return him to Jackson & let Law do the preaching and Mr Marsden administer Communion at Kasaan. If you prefer to keep Montgomery at Kasaan, ~~[illegible]~~ and have no minister for Jackson I will send Law to Jackson where he can be lay preacher as well as teacher. It is better however to have the preacher at Jackson. Let me hear what your plans are.

Glad you are safely home from Palestine.

Sincerely yours
Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

May 9, 1905.

Messrs. P. Blakenton's Son & Co.,
1012 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find my check in payment for Gould's Year Book.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

May 10, 1905.

Mrs. De Lucia Eddy,
Aspen,
Colorado.

Dear Sister:

Yours of May 2nd, returning the copy of the "Signal" loaned you and also kindly furnishing me with a copy of the sketch which you prepared for the Woman's Presbyterian Missionary Society, are received. I thank you very much for the sketch and will send a copy to the Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D. D., Professor of Theology in Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, who has undertaken to write concerning my work in the Rocky Mountains and in Alaska.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

May 10, 1905.

Rev. J. H. Ralston,

Emsworth, Pa.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Yours of May 4, requesting 500 words for paper for General Assembly is received, and I will send the same to you c/o Reub, Williams & Son, Warsaw, Indiana; also cut of myself as you request. Please return the cut when used.

My article will be "The claims of a Christian College in Utah upon the Presbyterian Church."

Very Fraternally,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

MEMORANDUM CONCERNING REINDEER APPRENTICES.

The purpose of Congress in making an appropriation for reindeer in Alaska was to provide a new food supply for the Eskimos [redacted], thereby enabling them to earn a living for themselves and not become a public burden upon the Government, their former food supply haveing been largely destroyed by American whalers and miners.

To accomplish this it was necessary that bright young Eskimos should be taught and thoroughly drilled in the best methods of handling and training reindeer.

There were no precedents to guide in this enterprise. Those immediately responsible had more or less to experiment and watch results. Thirteen years of trial and study have made the men in charge unanimous in their judgment,

1st. That a raw Eskimo young man unacquainted with the language of his teachers needs a drill or apprenticeship of five or six years, during which time he is to be fed, clothed and sheltered at the expens of the Station;

2nd. That during these years the apprentice is stimulated and encouraged by a hope that at the close of each year of his apprenticeship two reindeer are to be loaned to him;

3rd. That at the close of 5 or 6 years' apprenticeship, if the apprentice has fifty deer, the Station can discontinue supplying him with food and clothing, and he be required to support himself and family by freighting for Miners, the sale of surplus male reindeer to butchers, and such other ways as may open to him.

4th. If the period of apprenticeship is shortened to three years then -

(a) The apprentice will not have sufficient time to learn his trade;

(b) He will not acquire a sufficient number of reindeer to support himself and consequently, when thrown on his own resources, will either sacrifice his reindeer for something to eat or abandon the business in disgust.

Experience has convinced those in charge of apprentices that scarcely one apprentice would continue in the business, if at the end of three years, with six or seven reindeer he was expected to support himself. It can not be done. In the majority of cases he would be compelled to leave his reindeer and return to hunting and fishing for a living.

While the apprentice assumes self-support at the close of his apprenticeship, yet it is necessary for his own welfare and the interests of the Government in the reindeer that he should be kept under the general control of the Government Superintendent for a period of twenty years longer until the reindeer habit is fixed upon him. It is unreasonable to expect that permanent habits can be formed in a barbarian during five or six years.

The Bureau of Education have a case in hand, where two apprentices who have each served five years are looking forward to the completion of their course, when, under the influence of their relatives, they think they can kill all their reindeer, and give one grand feast to their native village. Of course this will not be allowed. It merely shows how important it is for the Government to continue control for a period of years.

It is the same principle that controls the allotment of land to the Indians in severalty. They are given their land but not allowed to sell it for a period of 20 years, in order to form a habit of keeping it.

6th. Assuming that the present rate of increase of reindeer is maintained, the herder commencing with 50 reindeer should have about 1,000 head at the end of 20 years. If at the end of that time the herder should return one-half to the Government, he would still have a herd sufficiently large to support his family.

Sheldon Jackson

HAS THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUFFICIENT ZEAL FOR THE TRIUMPH OF CHRISTIANITY TO GIVE UTAH A CHRISTIAN COLLEGE?

Sheldon Jackson, D.D., LL.D.

Utah is one of the political and religious "Storm-Centers" of the United States.

The Mormon hierarchy aspires to, and with fanatic zeal works for, the overthrow of the American home, the Christian Church, and American liberty. How to avert these dangers is one of the burning questions of the day both to the State and the Church. To those who have watched the discussions in Congress with reference to the seating in the House of Representatives of Brigham H. Roberts, a polygamist, and Reed Smoot, one of the 12 apostles of the Mormon church, in the United States Senate, there is little hope of effective congressional legislation on the subject.

The fact is the Mormon hierarchy has already obtained such political power, that both the republican and democratic parties are afraid to antagonize it.

If the purity of the home is to be preserved, if the Church is to continue, and republican institutions be maintained in this land, it must come from God, working through His Church.

The agencies that so far have shown the best results, are the primary and grammar Mission schools and the Christian academies, to which now is being added, as the Key-stone of the Arch, a Christian College.

The women of the various Evangelical Churches, have established primary and grammar Mission schools in a number of Utah cities and villages.

In 1904 the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church report among the Mormons 31 schools with 78 teachers and 1679 pupils.

Many of the children in these Mission Schools develop a strong desire for further educational advantages and some of them find their way to the Mission Academies of which there are five in Utah that are sustained by the Presbyterian Women.

Through God's blessing upon the teaching in the grammar and academic mission schools, many of the young people from Mormon homes come to Jesus.

Thereupon some of these young converts are anathematized by the Mormon church and disowned by their relatives.

Realizing that henceforth they must provide for themselves, they more than ever wish a higher training to better fit them for the struggle before them. They want and need a College training. But where can they get it? "Brigham Young University", a Mormon College, is open to them. But to take these young men and women whom the Mission Schools and Academies have brought out of the Monstrocities and spiritual death of the Mormon church, and then send them back under the baleful influence of a Mormon faculty, and the indirect, but no less powerful influence of a large body of Mormon students, is either to deaden their spirituality or destroy their faith. It is also true that they have access to the University of Utah, a State institution supported by public taxes, and to the State Agricultural

College supported by the United States Congress, but both of these Colleges have Mormon faculties and a Mormon student body.

There is not a Christian College within a radius of five hundred miles of them. And these penniless young men and women, who, if there were a college near them, could work their way through it, can not reach eastern institutions, or even those of the Middle West. Hence Christian work in Utah comes short of its convert largest fruitage, because it failed to fully equip its converts for positions of influence.

A Christian College in Utah is the essential requisite to hold converts gained.

Without it thr losses are so great, as to be unbearable, and in 1895, the Presbytery of Utah composed of a small band of Ministers, themselves on insufficient salaries & with but little means determined - God helping them they would have a College. The mission teachers equally without money came & joined their prayers and work and ~~[illegible]~~ the College was commenced and still exists in borrowed recitation rooms -- Dr. R. G. McNiece, who for 20 years had been Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Salt Lake, was elected Professor. And to his assistance came George B. Sweazey, A. M., a gifted and consecrated young man from Wabash College. Widh With rare heroism and the perseverance of saints - amind discouragements and hope-deferred, these men have stood firm on the picke line. Four General Assemblies of the Church have endorsed the project, but financial help still lags. Small college classes have been maintained and their young men have gone out, some to enter Theological Seminaries, and some to enter "without conditions" as Juniors or seniors at Princeton or other eastern institutions,and some responded to the call of their country and went to give liberty to Cuba.

Unlike other small Colleges in the West, which are surrounded by sympathising friends working in their behalf,"Westminster College"is located at Salt Lake City, the center and stronghold of Mormonism.

Like Beyroot College in Syria and Roberts College in Turkey, it must be sustained by the Church at Large, or it will fail.

Many years of personal experience in dealing with and weighing home mission problems have forced the conviction on my mind that the point of greatest danger and consequently of the greatest need at present in Christian work in the United States is Utah. Hence if consecrated Christian hearts ask where their prayers and money are most needed and will accomplish the wisest results, I answer, help "Westminster College" at Salt Lake City, UTAH.

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W. H. [illegible]
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L.E.C.

May 15, 1905.

Mrs. Mary R. Ensign,
522 2nd Avenue, West,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your recent letter I enclose herewith a supply of monthly report blanks of attendance. Upon them you will kindly insert the information called for, showing the number of months you taught at Eagle, your enrollment &c.

Kindly return them thus filled out and signed, to this Bureau, they will then be examined and we will see what can be done towards sending you further payment for the teaching done by you at Eagle.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Please send me a copy of your appointments or my letters authorizing you to teach certain months.

(Enclosure).

W. H.

L.R.C.

May 15, 1905.

Mr. D. W. Cram,

Bettles, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

All the bills which you have from time to time been sending during the winter for supplies for the reindeer station and school at Bettles have been duly approved and paid.

It is unavoidable in establishing a station at such a remote point as Bettles that the running expenses are exceedingly high, however, I wish to caution you that it will be necessary for you to be as economical as possible. For the coming fiscal year, July 1, 1905 to June 30, 1906, Congress has given us only $50.000 for schools (about half of what we received last year) and $15.000 for the support of the reindeer stations, ($10.000 less than what we are receiving during the present year).

It is only by practising the most rigid economy at each and every reindeer station and each and every school that we can manage to meet our expenses with the reduced appropriations.

Accordingly, permit me to emphatically repeat that during the coming year you will practice rigid economy in the affairs of the school and reindeer station at Bettles.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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L.B.C.

May 15, 1905.

Dr. Wilfried Grenfell,
14 Carlton Place,
St. Johns, New Brunswick.

Dear Dr. Grenfell:

Your letter of May 20th concerning two men (one married) for St. Lawrence Island is received.

You can say to them that they will probably both be wanted, however. I will have to write to San Francisco and find out definitely whether Foster & Co., will take one for trader when the ship sails from San Francisco. I think it is safe, however, to say to the two men that they will both be wanted and to let me know their address so I can telegraph to them and also how soon they can get ready to leave St. Johns.

I hope that you found your trip through the States profitable for your work and that God will greatly bless you through the summer.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

A similar letter was sent you yesterday without a postage stamp & therefore I repeat it today to save further delay.

For Dr E. O. Campbell M.D.
St Lawrence Id. (COPY)

Address
14 Carlton Place,
St. Johns, N. B.
till 20th May.

Men to "Labrador"
in St. Johns.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

A man, his wife, and no children - and a man, his friend - now all living together here and all keen Christian folk, are anxious in a batch to accept the two positions for Alaska. They will write and describe themselves.

They are capable - and keen Christians - I would think do well.

No. 1 man not very tough to look at - but sound and bright in disposition - Life in town doesn't make rugged countenances.

No. 2 - Very tough man - big and strong - just been through S. African war - Has a commission - lost it (I fancy thro' being wild) - is a bright Christian fellow now - A gentleman by birth - (also a good asset).

Again - Education - O. K. in both of them -

Again - The married man will take his wife -

Again - No children.

Again - Ages - about 30 of both men.

I think the combination a very suitable one - I am sure they are Christians. The big man has not been a Christian very long - but the married man is a really fine fellow - indeed an exceptional Christian altogether. I could do very well with him myself.

Yours faithfully,

(signed) Wilfried Grenfell.

"A GREAT LIVING MISSIONARY."

By De Lucia C. Eddy.

Aspen, Colorado.

People are given to adoration of celebrities, who, in some form or other, have distinguished themselves in the time of their earthly existence, but having passed to their great reward, seemingly enveloping them in an atmosphere not approachable by those living in the present.

Time rolls, by. We think the time has now come when minds are ready to appreciate the live heroes and heroines of to-day with an equal degree of fervor as those who may have lived previously.

We are ever proud of our missionaries, whether at home or abroad and realize there is always a demand for courage and perseverance, but unto some is given the task of untold suffering, of unlimited work and situations requiring the greatest bravery and endurance. The pioneers in every movement are the individuals whose crosses seem most grievous to bear. To-day let us pay all honor and tribute to the living missionary, Dr. Sheldon Jackson, LL.D.

To better appreciate the missionary endeavor of Dr. Sheldon Jackson, let each one here choose, in his or her own mind, some young man of his or her acquaintance of about twenty-five years and further imagine him as the one who has faced the dangers of storm and cold and countless times imperiled life and limb to bring the gospel and civilization to perishing humanity, and let him or her see that one going ceaselessly on through the years of middle life and further on to more than three score years and ten with his zeal yet unabated, but with his determination to die in the harness; then will an idea be present in the mind of how nobly Dr. Sheldon Jackson has spent his life. Already forty-seven years of active service have been his. We trust his Jubilee year, which is fast approaching, may be the brightest one of his half century of service.

Born in New York, given a theological training, he came to the frontier of the West fully equipped to do the Master's work. After various locations, often supporting workers from his own resources, the year 1870 found him in Denver. Commissioned by the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions as Superintendent of Presbyterian Missions from Mexico to Canada and from California and Oregon to Wisconsin and Iowa, embracing a fifth of the territory of the United States, his executive ability soon caused teachers and preachers to occupy strategic points wherefrom thereafter should emanate influences for vast good.

Our encomiums are due to Dr. Jackson for his ability and great success in making the region we are now pleased to call home, one of Christian civilization.

Twenty years of unceasing effort he gave of his life to this field of labor, seemingly leading a charmed life. We must not think of him as riding luxuriously in railroad coaches, but ever getting to his destination in true Western style, stage coach, ox-cart broncho, or other-wise. His course impeded by snows, avalanches, bridgeless streams, forest fires, hostile Indians and trackless wastes whereby often losing his way, perhaps giving credence to ever-recurring reports of his death. Indeed the hairbreadth escapes from death and his miraculous rescues at the last minute, would make a volume of interesting reading of which the following would be an interesting part:-

"Once on a most perilous mountain passage, in 1887, exhaustion forced him to give up, heart throbbing, nose bleeding, eyes running and ears ringing, the trail lost and his feet so blistered that he could go no further; the settlement still ten miles away. He and his companions were rescued through their discovery by a wandering miner."

Should the Lord have been pleased to call him from his earthly labors at the end of his twenty years of service in the West, of him could well have been said: "Well done, good and faithful servant", for apparently he had borne his share of the Lord's battle. But he has been spared to add another twenty years to the glorious record of his share in the world's evangelization. Perhaps at the present time, the name of Dr. Sheldon Jackson, as identified with education both religious and secular in Alaska, is more widely known than by the efforts previously exerted by him in the Rocky Mountain Region.

True it is that Alaska coming into the possession of our glorious country in 1867, shared no benefits of our civilization until the hero of our deliberations visited that inhospitable region in 1877, when he took in the entire situation at once and immediately, with no small difficulty and perseverance, set forces in motion that should transform that people of various minds and ways into useful and helpful citizens, and further to preserve to future generations the history of the country, its flora and all else that would be valuable in a museum of well collected data. We as Presbyterians are proud of our churches in Alaska and render all thanks to Dr. Sheldon Jackson and his faithful co-laborers who have so ably assisted him.

The United States Government, in 1885, appointed him as General

Agent for Education in Alaska. A position he yet holds, spending his time from April to October in that far away land and the remainder of the year in Washington, D. C. How well he has filled this government position is well attested in his reports to the government. Even Pt. Barrow, the most northern point of Alaska and on the coast of the Polar Seas, can boast of a school, the result of his effort. His pioneer work of education in the "Land of the Mid-night Sun" was providential in the way of preparation for the thousands of miners seeking for gold in more recent years. The introduction of reindeer into Alaska by our most worthy subject, would be an interesting chapter, would time permit of detail. Suffice it to mention his untiring efforts and wondrous zeal have succeeded in establishing this animal in the country, from Siberia. Thus providing food, raiment and transportation for a needy people.

Though his recent efforts have been far removed from the scenes of his former labors, he has not forgotten his Western people as his gift of valuable real estate in the City of Washington, D. C. to found a Christian College in Salt Lake City, ably testifies. Certain it is that future generations in one case at least, can justly practice hero worship and as the words [illegible] of the song "Will I have any stars in my crown" comes for determination to each mind, we question whether or not his crown will be large enough to hold all that is justly his to share.

Prepared for and read at the Annual Meeting of "the Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Gunnison" held at Aspen, Colorado, April 26th and 27th, 1905, by Mrs. De Sucia Eddy.

W.H. L.F.C.

May 17, 1905.

Messrs. S. Foster & Co.,
26 California Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sirs:

This Division has agreed to pay Mr. Axel E. Karlson of Unalakleet, Alaska, 7/10 3. 08 tons of the supplies which were transported by you last September for Mr. Karlson from San Francisco to Unalakleet.

In order that this amount may be included in the voucher in Mr. Karlson's favor, will you please be so kind as to send me a receipt on your bill head agreeing with the form which I enclose.

This receipt will then be used as a sub-voucher to Mr. Karlson's voucher and in this way we can pay the money to him.

The above is part of the freight which Mr. Karlson has already paid you.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

San Francisco, Cal.

September 5, 1904.

$14.00

Received from Axel E. Karlsen, $61.60 for transportation of 7/10 3.08 tons of supplies for the reindeer station at Unalakleet from San Francisco to Unalakleet at $20. per ton.

L.R.C.

940 Dorchester St.,
Montreal. P. Q.

May 14th, 1905.

Sheldon Jackson LL.D.,
General Agent, Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Education, Alaska Division,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I met Dr. Grenfell a couple of days ago, being introduced by my brother-in-law who was associated with him in Mission work on the Labrador Coast. Dr. Grenfell in the course of our conversation together mentioned to me the opening for an assistant teacher in Alaska, giving me your letter to him re this subject for perusal and also asked me whether I should be willing to accept the post. I have since been thinking the matter over and both my wife and myself are perfectly willing should no other obstacle present itself and you think I should be suitable.

My wife wished to write and tell her mother before definitely settling, so wrote to England and asked for a cable back by the 24th instant, stating if willing as Dr. Grenfell said he must know before June 1st.

I was asked by the Doctor to write direct to you telling you all particulars about myself.

I have always had a desire for teaching being naturally fond of it and my great ~~desire~~ wish and that of my wife has been to be engaged in ~~[illegible]~~ Mission work, and as far as I gather from the correspondence lent me to peruse this post would include both.

I was educated at Clifton and afterwards at Bath College. On leaving school my father placed me in a bank and for two years I was in the Hong Kong and Shanghai bank in London, Eng.

I enclose reference which cover my business career up to my coming to Canada where I have been just over two years, spending my first summer farming in Manitoba, working out as an ordinary farm hand, and put my hand to everything and can cook etc.

At the beginning of the Fall I returned to Montreal obtaining a post in the C. P. R. where I have remained ever since, lately I have been transferred to the Freight Traffic Department, working in the Tariff Bureau with a rise in salary.

My wife the daughter of the late Rev. Henry Geary M. A. Vicar of St. Thomas' Portman Sq., London, England, is practical and very domesticated and an excellent cook having been through the National Training School of Cookery. She has seen considerable Mission work and is a good speaker and really spiritual and was for some years keeping house for a brother in Ceylon who was on a Tea plantation giving all his spare time to Mission work.

I fear I have written at great length but it is difficult to curtail such matters very much.

If this should prove to be the right thing for me I suppose you would let me know further particulars re. the journey and actual time for starting as I should have to notify the C. P. R. a fortnight before leaving.

I enclose a letter from the pastor of the church where I attend the Rev. A. B. Hubly, St. Bartholomew's Reformed Episcopal Church, where I have been acting as Assistant Pastor and Superintendent of the Sunday School.

I have been married 7 months, and so have recently furnished my rooms, but I understand from Dr. Grenfell that it would be advisable to take all the furniture I can with me.

I am the 2nd son of A. H. Stevens, Municipal Commissioner, Hydevabad Deccan, India and hate always been a good athlete being in my College football XV and Cricket XL and have no physical defect.

I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

Henry Norman Stevens.

P. S. I am on the religious Committee of the Y. M. C. A. in this city and am well known to D. A. Budge, Esq., General Secretary. I also spent most of my leisure in London, Eng., in Mission work chiefly amongst children. I sing solos frequently at my church and in the Y. M. C. A. and my wife can play the piano, organ or harmonica.

COPY. L.R.C.

940 Dorchester Street,
Montreal.

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Sheldon Jackson LL.D.,
General Agent, Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Education, Alaska Division,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

An old school-fellow of mine Mr. Norman Stevens is writing you by this mail regarding an appointment of assistant teacher in Alaska, which he heard of from Dr. Grenfell, whom I also met this last week. Dr. Grenfell suggested that I should write in reference to the other post mentioned in your letter to him. In the rush of leaving he omitted to leave behind your letter giving details of this position, so as I am anxious to obtain employment in connection with which I should have an opportunity of doing some mission work, I shall be obliged if you will let me have further particulars of this post. I had three years business experience in the whole-sale corn importing trade in England and served throughout the South African campaign so know what "roughing it" is. I am at present working for the Bell Telephone Company of ~~Colorado~~ Canada at Montreal. I am twenty-eight years of age, six feet two inches in height and of very strong constitution. I am personally acquainted with Mr. D. A. Budge General Secretary Y. M. C. A. Montreal, who would give you further particulars as to my character. I was educated at Bath College, England, and am the eldest son of W. F. Paul, of R. & W. Paul Ltd., Corn Importers, Ipswich, England.

I have the honor to remain,

Your obedient servant,

Bernard W. Paul.

W.F.P. May 17, 1905.

Mr. Bernard W. Paul,
940 Dorchester St.,
Montreal, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of 14th is received. I send you today a small package of Alaska literature which will help you to understand something of the nature of that country. I send another package to your schoolmate; as you both have the same address you will be able to exchange reading. I am sorry that you have not a wife to take with you, but perhaps if you get to Alaska you will be able to send for one another season. Neither your nor your comrade mention whether you know anything about managing sailboats along the ocean coast in rough water. The one who is assistant to Dr. Campbell will be required during the summer to sail a boat 25 or 30 miles along the coast carrying rations to the men with the reindeer herd, and in winter make the same trip with dog or reindeer teams. Are either of you familiar with driving dogs which is common in Canada up in the Hudson's Bay sections. You do not say but I assume that you are a member of the Church of England. The station to which we wish to send you, if you go, is Presbyterian. If you should go we very naturally wish you to work in harmony with the Presbyterian Church and in accordance with their methods of church worship. Where there are only two or three Christian families in a community it is very important that they should work together with the utmost harmony in religious as well as secular matters, and while your thoughts have reference to keeping a store yet I am very glad that you also desire to do mission work as well as store-keeping, and a store-keeper in an Eskimo village has at least three-fourths of his time for mission work if he is so disposed.

I send you a copy of a letter which Messrs. Foster sent to Frederick Willard, but circumstances prevented Mr. Willard from going and I presume the same offer is open to you. When I find out definitely whether you are willing to go then I will have a definite offer made you by Mr. Foster. My own present idea would be that your companion and his wife had beter stay in the store and you be the assistant to Dr. Campbell; but the division of places can be arranged afterwards so as to suit you both unless you both desire the same place. I think however that that can readily be adjusted hereafter. The main thing is to decide definitely whether you will go if wanted. I think I can assure you that you will be wanted if you can go. I also send you a copy of the letter which Dr. Grenfell had but took away with him.

very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~Commissioner~~,

U.S. Gen'l Agt. Education in Alaska

C O P Y.

San Francisco, March 3rd, 1905.

Mr. Frederick B. Willard,

Fort Yukon, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

We have obtained permission from the Secretary of the Interior to establish and maintain a store at Gambell, St. Lawrence Island, for the purpose of supplying the natives with provisions, hardware, firearms, etc., in exchange for whalebone, ivory, furs, etc., and expect to make a first shipment of two or three thousand dollars worth of good by our schooner Laura Madsen sailing from San Francisco May 15th. There has been no store on the Island heretofore, although a whaling station has been there for several years, which probably has done more or less trading with the natives. In addition to this, several whaling vessels have been accustomed to touch at the Island and barter with the natives in the spring or early summer. You probably are familiar in a general way with the work of the Presbyterian Mission there, and also know that the Island is set apart as a reindeer reservation. We have been supplying from San Francisco the missionaries and the herders, but have had no direct dealings with the native population. It is now desired to open a store there, by means of which the natives can obtain supplies at any time of year, and which store will be entirely free from the taint of liquor traffic. We should imagine that after the first year, when the store is fairly established and becomes the recognized source of supply, the native trade would amount to five or six thousand dollars per annum. For the first year it may not be more than one-half this amount, for the reason that the whaling vessels will have done their trading before the store is opened, and because the natives do not know that we are entering the field. We have therefore to plan conservatively for the first year's store business

We are glad to know that you are familiar with native ways, and we think that you are well qualified by birth, training and experience in Alaska to undertake the work of establishing this store at Gambell. Its success will depend very largely upon you If we could gauge the extent of the native trade this first year, or estimate with any degree of certainty the profits of the first year, we might be able to offer you a fixed salary. It appears to us however, that the best way to arrange your compensation would be to offer you, say one-third of the profits of the store, trusting that after the first year the business will grow, and that while the initial profits may not be large, they would increase from year to year as the volume of trade increases, so that you would have the prospect of betterment as an incentive for your best efforts.

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You will have cabin passage to St. Lawrence Island by this vessel in company with Capt. and Mrs. Cook, and we will defray the expense of your trip from Fort Yukon to San Francisco via Skagway.

Trusting these arrangements will be satisfactory, we remain,

Yours very truly,

(signed) S. Foster & Co.

COPY. L.E.B.

April 22, 1905.

Dr. Wilfried T. Grenfell,

Present.

My dear Doctor;

In accordance with your verbal request, I send you the following memoranda with reference to a man an assistant teacher and general helper at Gambell, St. Lawrence Island, Bering Sea.

First of all the man should be an earnest Christian with some missionary spirit.

2nd. It is important that he have a strong, rugged constitution.

3rd. That he be accustomed to hardships, or roughing it.

4th. That he have at least an ordinary common school education, able to read, write and cipher without difficulty.

5th. It is desirable that he should not only be married, but take his wife with him.

6th. It is preferable that they should have no children, or not more than one or two as there will be no opportunity of giving the children such an education as they ought to have.

7th. He should not be over forty-five or under eighteen years of age.

The Bureau of Education will pay necessary travelling expenses to destination, supply a house free of rent and give for the first year a salary of $900. If the man likes his work and is efficient in it, the salary will be, after the first year, increased to $1.000 provided he is married. The family supply their own food, clothing, fuel, light, bedding, etc., which he can furnish at San Francisco or Seattle at reasonable prices.

A schooner is sent every summer to take up supplies to Gambell, so that the freight is also reasonable. At present on the Island in addition to the Eskimos, are Dr. and Mrs. Campbell, missionaries, two Christian Finlanders and their wives, the Fin ns in charge of the reindeer herd.

The firm of S. Foster & Co., of San Francisco, are expecting to establish a store at that place and are looking for a Christian man to take charge of the buisness. He will add another to the small Christian society of that place.

The duties of the assistant will be to take rations to the men in charge of the herd abouthonce a month. In summer this trip will be taken by a small sail boat along the coast. In the winter the trip will be made by dog teams and snow shoes. The distance has been about twenty-five miles in the past, but I think that this season the overland [illegible]road may be from thirty-five to forty miles.

St. Lawrence Island like New Foundland is surrounded by cod-fish banks and the assistant can teach the natives better methods of catching and curing the cod-fish. We will also be glad if he is competent to take part in the work of helping the Doctor in case of an epidemic of sickness and assist in religious services or in any other words an all round man, ready to turn his hand to almost anything that is required of him.

As the time for this season will be very short after you procure him, it will probably be necessary for him to pay his own traveling expenses as far as Seattle, state of Washington.

At Seattle he can make out a bill for the same and send to the U. S. Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., for payment by the U. S. Government.

In his traveling expenses, it is required that each item of the expenses, except meals, to send with the bill a receipt for the expenses. The voucher should be made out in duplicate on Government paper which I enclose and sworn to before a Notary Public at Seattle, a blank for which also is enclosed.

At Seattle the man will call at the store of the Seattle Hardware Co's, who will make arrangements for him and assist him in further journey. To save time probably from New Foundland, the man had better buy a through emigrant or tourists ticket from New Foundland, by the way of the Canadian Pacific to Seattle, Washington. At Seattle he can ask the Seattle Hardware Company to arrange for his further passage from Seattle to Nome.

At Nome he can look up Mr. D. W. Mackay, who will assist him in arrangements at that place.

I will send to the Seattle Hardware Company a letter of introduction to Mr. Mackay and also a letter of introduction to the Missionaries on the Bering Sea coast. I will also arrange for the Revenue Cutter to take the man and his family from Nome down to St. Lawrence Island.

Not only during the journey to Seattle but while at Seattle and his journey to Nome and at Nome, he should keep a careful account of his expenses, taking receipts for all moneys paid out, except for meals, so that the Government can re-emburse him for his outlay.

Now with regard to a Christian man to take charge of the store. I send you a copy of an offer which Messrs. Foster & Co., made to a friend of mine and I think that he made a mistake in declining to accept. As the store keeper will not be under the Government, we ~~a~~ can not of course help him to his traveling expenses, but traveling with the assistant teacher, referred to in a former part of the letter, he will get considerable assistance and help on the journey.

It will be well for him to have a wife, as it is no country for an unmarried man.

In crossing the continent, if they find it more convenient, they can go to Portland, Maine and travel on the Grand Trunk of Canada, or on the American roads through St. Paul, Minnesota, and from thence by the Northern Pacific R. R. to Seattle. I do not know whether there is any difference in the rates or not.

As soon as you secure the men, kindly telegraph me at the expense of this Office, giving the name of the teacher and what family he will have with him, also about what time they expect to reach Seattle.

Praying that you may have Divine guidance in your selections, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

fellow-worker for humanity,

Sheldon Jackson,

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

W.F.P. May17, 1905.

Perry Mason Company,
"Youth's Companion,"
Boston, Massachusetts.

Sirs:

Yours of May 11, offering to donate the Bureau of Education a thousand copies of "Youth's Companion" for the Alaska schools, is received. The Commissioner of Education greatly prefers sending out the "Companion" from this Office. I therefore enclose you 50 or more penalty slips, one of which you can attach to each 4-pound bundle of the "Companion," which will bring the papers to this Office. Then we will send them out from here.

I scarcely need say how much I thank you for your generous offer. I know of no paper that so much interests the school children of Alaska as the "Youth's Companion," and not only the school children but the grown people as well. The minors housed up in their log cabin during the arctic winter more frequently inquire for the "Companion" than for any other paper.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

W.F.P. May 17, 1905.

Mr. H. Norman Stevens,
940 Dorchester Street,
Montreal, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Your letter with credentials came this morning and is perfectly satisfactory. I suppose now the whole question hinges upon the word which your wife receives from her mother. I hope it may be favorable. I wish you would ask to see the letter which I send by this mail to Mr. Paul, also the documents which I send you both with regard to the country. When I first heard from Dr. Grenfell, I thought that you being a married man, it would be better to stay in the village, look after the store and do such missionary work as you felt inclined to do, and that Mr. Paul, being without a wife, would be better able to do the traveling between the station and the reindeer herd. However that can be adjusted if you prefer after you reach the place. You will have all the missionary work that you and your wife can possibly do. Perhaps I should call your attention to the fact that the only mission on that island is supported by the Presbyterian Church and if you go there it will be expected that your missionary work shall be in full harmony and in accordance with the plans already established by the Presbyterian Church, that Dr. Campbell is the head of the mission and that you would be an assistant to him and consequently would be expected to be loyal to him and his church work. If you feel that you could not consistently do that you had better not go but frankly say so and let Dr. Grenfell try and find us some one else that would either be a member of the Presbyterian

Church, or that would work heartily with that church on that island, as it would be very disastrous to divert the minds of those heathen and create parties among them by the division which exists in the churches in civilization.

I shall be very glad to answer any questions as far as I can, and when you hear from your mother-in-law and definitely decide to go please telegraph me at my expense in order that I may hasten arrangements for your going as the short Alaska summer does not allow of much delay. You should also bear in mind perhaps in settling this question that you cannot hear from the outside world between the last of October and the first of June. Still to a person who is interested in missionary work they have no time to get lonesome or allow time to hang upon their hands.

With kind regards to your wife, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

I forgot to mention that Rev Dr Campbell in charge at Gambel is a fine physician and surgeon

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May 19, 1902.

Mrs. W. F. White,

300 South St. Bernard Street,

West Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. White,

If you will write out and forward me just such an endorsement of yourself to the Pennsylvania R. R., as you wish, I will have it typewritten and cheerfully sign and return to you at once.

With kind regards to your husband and children, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

B.M.O.

May 19, 1905.

Rev. James D. Moffat, D. D., LL.D.,
Moderator of the Gen'l Assembly,
Winona, Indiana.

Dear Dr. Moffat:

I rejoice greatly at your election as Moderator of the General Assembly. I was much disappointed that you were not elected last year but afterwards felt that God's hand was in it, for if you had been in the Moderator's chair you would not have taken so active a part in carrying the General Assembly in favor of union with the Cumberland Church.

The Lord bless and help you in your honored and responsible position.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

L.F.C.

May 17, 1905.

Manager of Metropolitan Magazine,

Nos. 3, 5 & 7 West 29th Street,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I notice on the book stands that the June Number is issued. Mr. Vivian Moses of your editorial staff offered to send me fifty or more copies if I wanted them for distribution among special friends

I do not care to have so many but will be much obliged if you will send me from twenty to twenty-five copies. You have presented the article on the Eskimos in a tasteful way.

You can address me at U. S. Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.W.C.

May 19, 1905.

Dr. E. O. Campbell,
c/o Dr. William Hamilton,
Gambell, St. Lawrence Island.

My dear Dr. Campbell:

I had hoped to be able to have written you a good long letter about a great many things, both a business and a social letter, but first we had a large sum of money for school purposes last year, therefore the Commissioner considered it wise to erect as many permanent school buildings as we could. The preparing of plans, specifications and arranging for the erection of the buildings has doubled the work of the Office.

Second, Congress by new legislation last winter, changed the school laws so that all the white schools of Alaska are under the Governor and the native schools under this Office. This readjustment of school relations has also added very much to the work of the Office.

Third, during the winter I passed through an attack of pneumonia and was out of the Office for a few weeks and have not been able to catch up with my work since my sickness; consequently I can only write you a comparatively short letter.

I hope Mr. Hamilton, who will visit you, will be allowed by the

Captain to stay on shore long enough for you to go through thoroughly all the work.

I feel very hopeful that I can send you two good men and one good woman during the summer. They are recommended to me by Dr. Grenfell, who is doing such a noble work among the Deep Sea Fishermen on the coast of Labrador. He is very much interested in your work at St. Lawrence Island, so similar in many respects to his work on the coast of Labrador. He recommends Mr. Henry Norman Stevens and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens are active in church work in connection with the Reformed Episcopal Church in Montreal. He also recommends Mr. Bermard W. Paul, also of Montreal, Canada. He does not say what church Mr. Paul belongs to. I have written to both of these men, calling their attention to the fact that all the Christian work on St. Lawrence Island is a Presbyterian one, and that if they accept the position of going to the Island, they do it with the full understanding that they are to conform to the methods of Presbyterian work. That you are at the head of the affairs on that Island and that one or the other of them will simply be an assistant.

If the plans mature, one of them will be supported by the Government and the other will be employed by Messrs. Foster & Co., in charge of the store which they will establish upon the Island.

I enclose you copies of the letters of the two men and also of Dr. Grenfell, so that you may understand the situation.

It is probable that Foster will send a second schooner to Bering Sea this summer, if so these men will probably be taken on that schconer to Gambell.

REINDEER.

I have read what you say in your last report concerning conditions on the island. If I had known as much about it in '99, as I do now, I probably would have considered a long time before I would have attempted to put deer on the island. Without a market for them they do not seem to be needed where they are, but some winter may come when the fish and seal supply will fail the settlement and then bhe herd may save them from starvation.

HERDERS.

In the meantime as there is no outlook for the present of making a living by raising reindeer on the island you will not increase the number of apprentices. Two or three reindeer men are sufficient for that island.

The Government is unwilling to give xa your two herders any supplies at the end of their apprenticeship. We have never done it at any place on the mainland and we cannot do it at St. Lawrence Island.

The Commissioner is willing to extend the apprenticeship of Putlkinhak and Sepillu and Panin, to a six years course. (one year longer for the first two) Consequently the former two men can draw limited rations for another yaar and also receive their loan of two female reindeer for another year. At the end of six years it is probable that a new arrangement will be effected and a new loan made for a term of years, but this is not decided, nor is the length of time decided after the six years. This, however, is decided that for a term of years hereafter to be fixed, the herders will still be under the control of the station and not allowed by law to sell any female deer, except to the Government, and not allowed to sell any male deer, to any one except by the written permission of the station agent in charge. or Kill male deer for their own use without the written permission of the Agent in Charge.

I send you a set of rules which will show what is in the mind of the Government. Coming back to the matter of herders, you will as far as possible in issuing rations to the apprentices, furnish them native food. If necessary using the American food as barter for the purchase of whale and seal meat, blubber and fish.

Congress has cut down the reindeer appropriation from $25.000 to $15.000 and the possibilities are that in a year or two they may discontinue it altogether. Consequently we will be unable to send supplies and the herders will be dependent entirely upon their own resources and will not be allowed to kill off the reindeer, except in the case of actual starvation, when the killing will be done by the orders of the agent in charge. You will impress that upon the people. The time will ~~never~~ not come in many years when they can slaughter the deer themselves.

I would suggest that if you have four apprentices, one of the oldest ones and one of the youngest ones spend part of the year hunting, sealing, whaling and catching fish for the support of the four. Then the two men that hunted and fished take their places as herders and send the other two out hunting and fishing. That is the way it is done in Siberia.

This is a question which you should give very careful study to, how to make them self supporting, for if the reindeer on St. Lawrence

Island, can not be cared for by self supporting herders as in Siberia, then they had better be removed from the island.

I send you by mail via Nome c/o Captain Hamlet, Gould's Year Book, which has been paid for by our friend Mrs. Thaw. She sent me a check of $25.00 to ~~xxx~~ get you such things as you needed but as the only thing you expressed a wish for was the year book, I send you my check for the balance of the money ($19.) to do with as you prefer. I have also sent you three mail sacks of magazined and picture rolls for the school.

If the two Canadians come up this year you will not need the two Finns. If the Finns understand the reindeer business and are perfectly satisfactory, Mr. Hamilton will probably transfer them to the mainland, connecting with some herd there. If the Canadians fail me, I have offered to let Foster & Co., have one of the Finns for a store keeper.

You and your good wife are never very long absent from my thoughts, my prayers and my heart longings are that Gods spirit will gather around you, from the Eskimo a band of true ~~disip~~disciples and that you may have great satisfaction in seeing what God can do among your people.

It is a great trial to me not to be able to visit you personally even for the few hours that the cutter lies around the island.

The three Finns that we send from Unalakleet with the herd to Bettles, have proved very inefficient. Two of them had not been connected with reindeer for twenty years and one of them had never been associated with reindeer in his life. And yet, these men posed as teachers thoroughly competent to train the Eskimo in the management and care of reindeer. They will be dropped from the service just as soon as their contract expires, September 1st.

The herd that was started from Bethel on the Kuskokwim to drive to Copper Center is somewhere in the wilderness, they have not yet been heard from and we have reason to fear that the three Finns connected with that herd were totally incompetent for the position. If so, they too will be dropped as soon as they get out to civilization.

I hope that you have had an opportunity of seeing just how much the two men ~~thatxxsmx~~ with you actually know about the management of reindeer.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

May 20, 1905.

My dear Dr. Campbell:

I think you are entitled to a vacation in 1906, in accordance with your request, and you can arrange matters accordingly.

If there should be any suitable person among those that shall be sent to the Island, to take charge during your absence, try and break them in during the present year, as I might find great difficulty in procuring a man to take your place in 1906, and it is better that he should have some acquaintance with your work, before placing him in full charge.

Since writing yesterday, I have noticed that I forgot to say that probably after this season the Government will send no supplies to the Island, for the apprentices or herders. We have cut off Teller, Golofnin, Unalakleet, Bethel, Kotzebue and Nulato, and as rapidly as possible we will make the others also become self-sustaining.

It is about decided that no more Alaska children will be sent to the eastern schools, however, if you have two or three at Gambell who seem to be bright and free from disease, the Presbyterian Mission Board will take them in at Sitka, where they will probably be better trained than they would at Carlisle.

You can ask Captain Hamlet on his return south in the fall , to kindly take them to the Jesse Lee Home at Unalakka and I will ask the Methodists to take care of them until I can raise the means of sending them across by mail steamer to Sitka.

I would like very much to get one or two of your most promising boys or young men, ~~taxtaka~~ for a while where they can come in contact with our American civilization.

You can say to Capt. Hamlet that he can send a bill for their rations on board the BEAR, to me at Washington.

In the fall with the return of the BEAR, send out a list of school supplies needed. If you should come out in 1906, you probably would not need a full supply of drugs sent in. Let me know about that.

I hope that you will find the help that we may send in a real help and comfort.

If you need any natives punished for misdemeanors, or any Indian Point natives removed from the settlement, as U. S. Commissioner, you ~~xxn~~ have the authority to ask and urge, if necessary, Capt. Hamlet to act in the place of a Marshal. The Captains of the Revenue Cutters have certain discretionary powers of their own to punish misdemeanors in that country and that power will be increased if asked for by yourself as U. S. Commissioner. I think Capt. Hamlet is one that you can apply freely to and will listen to you with respect.

The Lord bless and keep you and yours.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.G.,

May 20, 1906.

Mrs. William Thaw,

P. O. Box, 1086,

Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

Yours containing check for $25.00 for Dr. Campbell, is received. Six dollars ($6.) was taken out to pay for Gould's Year Book in Medicine, two large volumes, and a check for $19.00 has been sent direct to Dr. Campbell.

With regard to the Rev. M. Edgar Koonce at Rampart, he has written me that he is coming out to the States this summer, and I take it that he does not intend returning before the summer of 1907, although he did not definitely say so in his letter.

The Rev. Samuel R. Spriggs is at Barrow, Alaska. The Rev. M. Hovack is at Teller and Rev. S. Hall Young at Fairbanks, Alaska. All Presbyterian ministers.

With kind regards, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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S.J.

May 22, 1905.

Mrs. David B. Miston,

Addison, New York.

Madam:

Yours of March 6th concerning literature for Alaska is received. In reply permit me to state that illustrated magazines and other reading matter is very much appreciated in Alaska --- so much so that magazines several years old are perused with avidity. If you are connected with any church I would recommend that you send them to a Missionary of the same church in Alaska. If you will kindly let me know which denomination you are associated with I will send you a list of names and addresses that would be glad to receive the magazines.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

L.R.C.

May 22, 1905.

Mr. Marion Laurance,
Toledo,
Ohio.

My dear Brother:

Yours of May 9, is received and I am looking forward with much pleasure to meeting you and the Sunday School workers at Toronto, in June.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.H.C.

May 22, 1905.

Rev. George E. Webb,
Rooms 99 - 100,
Confederation Life Building,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Thanks for yours of May 19th. I am in no hurry to know where I am to be stationed, I simply wrote you the other day on the subject, that when the time had come for making out your list that I might not be forgotten.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

May 22, 1905.

Rev. W. G. Wallace, D. D.,
Toronto,
Canada.

Rev. and dear Sir:

Mr. Alexander Warden writes me that it has been arranged that I should occupy your pulpit on Sabbath morning, June 25th.

It will give me great pleasure to give your people a Mission address on that occasion; as forty-seven years of my life have, in the good providence of God, been spent on the frontier.

Looking forward with pleasure to forming your personal acquaintance, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

May 22, 1905.

Mr. Alexander Warden,
Toronto,
Canada.

Dear Sir:

Yours of May 17th, conveying the intelligence of my having the pleasure to occupy Dr. Wallace's pulpit on Sabbath morning, June 25, is received.

If life and health is spared I shall be present, ready for duty.

Looking forward with great pleasure to the visit to Toronto, so long the home of the late Dr. Cochran, convener of your Home Missions who was a classmate of mine at Princeton, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

May 22, 1905.

Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D. D.,
Lincoln University,
Chester Co., Pa.

Dear Dr. Stewart:

I am sorry to trouble you, but you will confer a favor if you will look through volume 4 to 1[illegible] inclusive of the bound typewritten letters and make a memoranda of printed matter bound up with the letters, giving volume, page and title of printed article bound up at that point. I made such a memoranda before sending the books to you, but it has got lost or destroyed.

I am at work evenings on answering questions which you wrote me about some time ago and perhaps in the course of a week or so, can send you some more memoranda.

With kind regards to Mrs. Stewart, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

May 22, 1905.

Rev. James W. Kirk,
    Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find my check for ten dollars ninety cents ($10.90) in payment of Presbyterial assessments. Kindly send receipt for the same.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

L.E.C.

May 24, 1905.

Manager of Metropolitan Magazine,
3 - 5 West 29th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for the 25 copies of the Magazine for June, 1905, which has just been received.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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May 24, 1905.

Mr. C. H. Black,

Seattle Hardware Co.,

Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Yours of May 17, with regard to 10 cases of clothing that have been consigned to you for Alaska is received.

I called upon Capt. Ross, Chief of the Revenue Cutter Service and found that he had already issued instructions to the Captains of the cutters Manning and Perry, to convey the boxes to Alaska and distribute them. I understand the 10 cases of clothing are for Atka and Attu. He has also given instructions for the Captain of the Manning to take the cases for St. Lawrence Island to Dutch Harbor and at that point transfer them to the Cutter Bear, to be delivered at St. Lawrence Island. The cutters are expected to sail about June 5th.

I return you the shipping receipt.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

May 21, 1905.

Miss Margaret E. Hodge,
503 Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Madam:

Enclosed find 25 cents for which send me as many copies of "Over Sea and Land", for June as the money will pay for.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Enclosure

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L.E.C.

May 24, 1905.

Literature Department,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Madam:

Enclosed find $1.00 for which send me 5 copies of "Alaska for Juniors".

Please send me 10 copies of the June number of Woman's Home Missions, also 100 copies of "Facts about Alaska". For this latter please send bill in duplicate on enclosed vouchers. If your penalty slips give out, write me for a new supply.

By the way, I have not received my regular monthly number of the Home Missionary for June.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Enclosure

L.F.C.

Notes for Dr. R. L. Stewart.

Sheldon Jackson's grandparents were both leading men in Central Eastern New York.

His parental grandfather, Samuel Jackson was born in England, Nov. 8th, 1755. Came to the United States about 1790. Engaged in merchandise and farming in the township of Florida, County of Montgomery, (Valley of the Mohawk) New York, where he died April 12, 1845, at 90 years of age.

Was Colonel of a Regiment of N. Y. State troops at Platsburg, N.Y. in the war of 1812 - 14. Was frequently elected to places of trust and responsibility. Was a Committeeman for Montgomery Co., in the opening of the Erie Canal, 1827. Was a member of the N. Y. State legislature.

Sheldon Jackson's maternal grandfather was Alexander Sheldon a distinguished physician, and prominent politician.

He was born in Suffield Connecticut, Oct. 23, 1766 and died in Charlestown, Montgomery Co., September 10, 1836. Graduated at Yale College in 1787 and went west to grow up with the country, traveling from Connecticut to New York, on horseback and settled in the then wilderness of Montgomery Co., between 30 and 40 miles west of Albany.

Taking an active interest in politics he rapidly forged to the front and was Speaker of the New York Assembly for the years 1804, 5, 6, 7, 12, and 13, being the last of the speakers of the New York Assembly that wore the cocked hat of the Revolution, the badge of that office. He was graduated at the New York college of physicians and surgeons in 1812, and became eminent in his profession.

He served as Judge of the County Court, a regent of the University of New York state, a member of the convention that framed the State constitution in 1820, and chairman of the committee on the executive departments. In the presidential contest between John Adams and Thomas Jefferson he warmly espoused the cause of the latter.

Sheldon Jackson's father, Samuel Clinton Jackson was born June 17, 1807. Educated at the celebrated Rensselaer Polytechnic School Troy, N. Y., where he gave special attention to Botany, Mineralogy and Civil Engineering, he graduated as Bachelor of Arts, June 27, 1827, and on December 19, 1832, married Delia Sheldon.

Leaving school, he followed his father as merchant first in the village of Minaville, township of Florida, N. Y., where Sheldon was born in 1834 and afterwards in the village of Esperance Scoharie Co., N. Y. on the great thoroughfare - the toll road between Albany and Rochester and Buffalo. Was originally a Hugenot settlement and the Presbyterian was the leading church of the village.

About 1840, Mr. Samuel C. Jackson's health suffering from the confinement of the store, he returned to the homestead farm in township of Florida, Montgomery Co., N. Y., where the boyhood of Sheldon was spent on a farm.

Samuel C. Jackson was a Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church for 48 years and was frequently elected to represent his Presbytery

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as a Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

Sheldon Jackson's mother, Delia Sheldon, was a woman of more than usual intellectual ability, a high sense of honor, deep spirituality and actively interested in the missionary movements of the church.

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Date of Organization			Charter members	Membership 1904
Year	Month			
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				47
				28
				45
				22
				85
				43
				96
				178
		(1)		
		(1)		
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				48
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Year | Month

Charter Members | Members 1907

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the United Pres. Ch. of Colorado Springs

(1) United with

(3) United with Colo. Spr.

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Dead

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(1) Pueblo in 1875 reports five Churches & ~~[illegible]~~ 1011 Members
(2) Salt Lake City " " three " " 770 "
(3) Colorado City Church on March 20, 1874 was merged into the Colorado Springs Church
(4) Organized by [illegible] of the [illegible], and [illegible] in 187[illegible]

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Year	Month		Charter Members	Members 1904
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				231
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		(2)		
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		(4)		
		(5)		dead
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		(4)		
				dead
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				20
				10
		(3)		
				84
				43
				142
				131
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(1) In 1904 two Churches with 312 Members

(2) " " three " " 1342 "

(3) [illegible] was a Mexican Church in [illegible] also which does not appear to have been enrolled by Presbytery About 1886 it was reorganized under the [illegible] of the 2nd Church of [illegible]

(4) + (5) Died from removals from the two mining Camps

(6) Neglected by missionary + died

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Year	Month			[illegible] [illegible]	[illegible] 1/4
1879	Aug 3	Fort Wrangell (Native)	Alaska	213	15
1884	Sept 7	Sitka (Native,	"	49	[illegible]
1883		Chetek	Wis	20	~~20~~ 13
1887	July 2	Juneau (Native)	Alaska	13	175
1889	Nov 24	Sitka (White)	"	12	26
		Nome (Cape [illegible] [illegible] coming)			

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Churches commenced by S. J. and that he helped work up, but at [illegible] formal organization he was [illegible] present.

				Charter Members	Members 1884
		[illegible] Wis		32	
		[illegible] Minn			
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		[illegible]	"		
		[illegible]			
		[illegible]	"		
		[illegible]	"		
1868		[illegible]	"		
"		[illegible]	"		
		Valisca Iowa			
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"	[illegible]	[illegible]	"		
18[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
18[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			

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Charter established but lapsed
by 5th votes was not present at
the former organization.

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1868 [illegible]
" [illegible]
[illegible]
" Brownsville Minn
" Pleasant Grove "
1868 North Bend Wis
1871 [illegible] Co.
1877 May 6 Alma Colo
[illegible] Wis
[illegible]
Sheldon
East [illegible]
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Expenses [illegible]

[illegible]

Relations of Associate Ministers at Rochester. Rev. Mr [illegible] was commissioned by Board of Domestic Missions for preaching places outside of Rochester [illegible] [illegible] for the [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

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L.E.C.

May 26, 1905.

Mr. D. B. Martin,
Manager, Passenger Traffic,
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co.,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:

Kindly renew my Clergyman's permit for 1905. Sickness and an unusual amount of work has delayed my application.

Thanking you in advance for your annual favor, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

May 26, 1905.

Mrs. E. W. Ten Eyck,
Cazenovia, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Ten Eyck:

Yours of May 18, is received and I am very sorry to hear that you were so long sick in Washington, during the winter. I, myself after I saw you passed through an attack of pneumonia and am not yet very strong.

Magazines and choice reading matter can be addressed to me, U.S. Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C., and prepaid, as there is no fund at this Office for paying freight. When the magazines are here this Office will send them to Alaska.

I note your request that when I have leisure I will write you a letter concerning Mission work in Alaska, for your Society. Won't you let me off from that, if I send you our Reports? They contain much more than I can possibly write you and then again I never have any leisure. I do not even find time to write to my only sister, Mrs. Jackson doing the corresponding in my place.

We were delighted to see the printed account of your Missionary Society. I think Cazenovia must be a model church with so many model people.

Remember me very kindly to your household.

Respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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She united upon profession of her faith with the Presbyterian Church of Esperance, New York, December 23, 1837, and his father in the following spring (May 27, 1838) and on December 11, 1838, their children Sheldon and Louisa were given to God in infant baptism.

In this ordinance of baptism, Sheldon then 4 1/2 years old was dedicated by his parents to the ministry. And from that day until his ordination to the ministry by the Presbytery of Albany in 1858, neither Sheldon nor his parents had any other thought than that he was to be a minister. And the consciousness that he was to be a minister probably kept him from many boyish excesses.

In [illegible] his parents removed from the village of Esperance to the homestead farm at Minaville 10 miles distant. Thus from 5 years of age, Sheldon was brought up on a farm, helping in the chores mornings and evenings and in farm work during school vacations. This continued until he left home to enter upon his academic work.

Although removed 10 miles from church, Mr. Jackson continued his [illegible] work and eldership in connection with the [illegible] church at Esperance. The road between the church and farm was a [illegible] and rough one. [illegible] in the spring and fall, rough and stony in mid summer and in winter blocked with snow drifts, few the villagers within two blocks of the church door were not more regular attendants at the morning service than the entire Jackson family.

In the short days of winter on Sabbath morning the chores were done, preparations made, and breakfast over before day light. The team was hitched up - buffalo robes, blankets and straw, with the necessary axe and shovel were placed in the sleigh and as the family locked the doors and went out, they carried with them the lunch basket, a three inch oak plank or soap stone that had been heating in the stove oven, to keep their feet warm. On these 20 mile trips, going and returning from church it was a common occurence for the sleigh to upset, or the horses get down in the snow. Then a buffalo robe would be spread on the snow upon which would be placed the mother and daughter, the son stationed at the horses heads while the father loosened the traces and got up the team. Frequently on these occasions, with the axe a panel would be broken out of the road fence and a path shoveled through the drifts into the neighboring field, where the sled would make progress parallel with the road, until a place was reached where the roads were less drifted. After this experience reaching the village and putting the team in a barn, Mr. Jackson would shovel the path for the villagers from the street to the church door, build the fire in the church, and finally ring the church bell.

After morning service and noonday lunch, the family returned home completing their 20 miles ride after dark.

When there was not too much shoveling snow and breaking of roads the time on the road was utilized by the father catechising the children in Shorter Catechism.

Thus the future pioneer minister from early childhood, was being trained and prepared to never turn aside from duty on account of hardship and dangers that might be in the way.

Although Mr. Jackson was on a farm he did not forego Christian privileges. He established and maintained among the few farmers of the neighborhood for the 17 or 18 years of his stay on the farm, until he removed to Galesburg, Ill in 1857, a weekly prayer meeting and a monthly missionary meeting. The prayer meeting was held in turn at two or three of the nearest farm houses and resulted in a blessing to the community.

(1) Sheldon did not make a public profession of his faith in Jesus, until January 1, 1853, when he was 19 years old. But in after years speaking of his boyhood and judging it from his maturer knowledge of the operations of grace in the heart, he could not recall a time when he had not believed in Jesus, had not lived a life of prayer, had not struggled against sin and had not sought to honor Jesus.

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(1) During Sheldon Jackson's boyhood, his principal reading was, Jonathan Edwards's Biography, Life of David Brainerd, Border Wars in New York with the Indians: "The Home Missionary" a monthly magazine published by the Presbyterian and Congregational churches, and the Philadelphia Presbyterian (weekly). A few of Scott's novels and of Washington Irving Works.

But in those days it was not thought proper for children to formally unite with the church and partake of the communion. Very often, however, the chief cause of delaying to confess Christ, arose from the mistaken idea that a person should not profess Christ until they had had a marked change in personal experience. Like Saul of Tarsus, one hour a disbeliever and a few hours afterwards a believer.

Mr. Jackson can never remember such an experience, but thinking that that was the proper thing to have, he delayed coming to the communion table, hoping to experience such a change.

While in college under the ministry of Dr. J. Trumbull Backus of Schenectady, New York, he was shown the falseness of his expectation and encouraged to assume all the duties and privileges of a Christian.

When the step was taken he became more active in trying to influence others. Three months later his only sister Louisa united with the church. Several of his cousins were influenced by him to come into the kingdom. A friend in college was led by him into the kingdom and the ministry. Others among his young friends were influenced and among them, she who afterwards became his wife and for half a century has shared in his arduous labors.

The country school that he attended had for several years a remarkable teacher, a Christian Scotchman, James [illegible], who exerted a wholesome influence upon the boy and the neighborhood.

He first went away from home in 1840-4, to the Academy at Glens Falls, New York, where he came under the influence of another English

Presbyterian , a born teacher.

His Esperance pastor, Rev. Sanders Diefendorf, D.D., having accepted the principalship of a Presbyterian Academy at Haysville, Ohio, the boy was, in 1850, transferred from Glens Falls, to that famous but humble Academy, that has trained and sent into the ministry an unusually large number of eminent ministers.

He next entered the Sophomore class of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., in 1852, and graduated in 1855. Just an ordinary student. Took no special honors. Alma Mater conferred LL.D., in 1897.

From College he entered Princeton Theological Seminary in the fall of 1855 and graduated in the spring of 1858. While in the Theological Seminary he was associated in a weekly missionary prayer meeting, with Samuel Rankin Gayley, who went to his reward from China, Daniel Mc Gilvary the veteran missionary among the Laos Siam, Charles Rogers Mills nearly half a century in China, Jonathan Wilson also of Siam, Augustus Brodhead who gave his life in India, Robert Hamill Nassau, the veteran of African missions and Ashbel Green Simonton, who gave the gospel to Brazil, and a still larger number who pushed out into the west to establish churches in the wilderness.

At the close of his Seminary course, Mr. Jackson applied to the Board of Foreign Missions to be sent to Siam, but the Board declined to accept him giving as a reason that his health was not sufficient. He then applied to be sent to Bogota, South America, and was again declined for the same reason. He was, however, offered and afterwards commissioned and sent to Spencer Academy among the Choctaws in the Indian Territory.

The first Commission to the " North of St. Anthony" was one of indefinite bounds and meant much or little according to the person who executed it. He could have given his time to a few settlements on the Mississippi River, north of St. Anthony, or if he had the strength he could have travelled across to the Pacific Coast.

I distinctly remember that I was planning to make Alexandria, about 100 miles N. W. of St. Anthony headquarters. Alexandria was then on the outermost fringe of white settlements. Circumstances, however, led me to decline the Commission.

The Commission of September 5, 1858, was intended mainly for La Crescent and Hokah, "Vicinity" meaning the school houses within 5 or 6 miles around, but I interpreted it to mean every community that I could reach and consequently it extended a hundred miles around, reaching from Chippewa Falls in Wisconsin to Jackson in Minnesota a distance of 340 to 370 miles as the roads ran. - being from La Crescent 150 miles to Chippewa Falls and 220 miles to Jackson.

In Minnesota his preaching circuit included the counties of Houston, Fillmore, Mower, Freeborn, Faribault, Martin, Jackson, Waseca, Steele, Dodge, Olmsted, Wabash and Winona.

In Wisconsin, Chippewa, Eau Claire, Jackson, Trempeleau and La Crosse.

When Jackson located at La Crescent, there was not a Presbyterian church in North or South Dakota, Montana, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada 11 (o.s) in California. 9 (o.s) Oregon, 14 (o.s) in Minnesota.

Was in the Christian Commission work (Army of the Cumberland) during August and September, 1863. Resigned because of sickness in my family at home. Upon my return had a long and severe attack of Typhus fever contracted in the Army. Was given up by the physicians to die.

Aid for Missionaries 1859 to '69 on Sheldon Jacjson's part was voluntary and was discouraged by the Board.

The Note books give a partial list of boxes of clothing.

Financial aid both for missionaries and church buildings was voluntary and secured largely in the east through correspondence; except in the case of the Rochester (minn) church building when Sheldon Jackson visited the east and made appeals in the churches.

Relation of Associate Ministers at Rochester.

Rev. George Ainslie was commissioned by Board of Domestic Missions for preaching places outside of Rochester. Sheldon Jackson was commissioned for Rochester Church.

The arrangements at the beginning was for G. A. to preach in Rochester Church one sabbath per month, which gave him three sabbaths for itinerating. Sheldon Jackson preached 3 sabbaths monthly in the home church and had one sabbath for itinerating. As the years passed George Ainslie preached less and less frequently at Rochester.

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General superintending of mission work in southern Minnesota was not included in Sheldon Jackson's commission, but he grew into the work from force of circumstances.

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Was not a member of the Presbytery of Missouri River when appointed their Superintendent of Missions. Gen. Assembly (O.S.) in session at Pittsburg (Adjourned meeting November, 1869, page 1158 of printed minutes (Supplement) Created the Presbytery of Colorado, transferring him from Presbytery of southern Minnesota to that of Colorado.

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The incidents of "travels on the ice" March 27, 1860" was one of my preaching trips in Wisconsin. Do not remember the particular places visited. Had travelled with horse and cutter. Was on my return trip. While away there was a warm spell of weather with rain that melted the snow very rapidly and flooded the whole country. Streams large and small were over their banks, flooding the meadows and low lands on either side. Sunday afternoon and evening the weather turned suddenly cold. Starting home on Monday, a number of bridges stood out by themselves in the midst of the waters. The current of water overflowing the road on either side of the bridge. Consequently had to drive through water to reach the bridge, and again through water between the bridge and dry land. In many places ice had formed on both sides some distance from the shore. It was easy to drive the horse out upon the ice until near the edge it gave way and let the horse into the water, but it was not so easy to get the horse out of the water upon the other side upon the ice. Upon this occasion at one part of the road after wading through the water and reaching the ice on the far shore, it was breast deep and the horse was unable to get his feet up upon the ice. There was nothing to do but for Sheldon Jackson to get out into the water and break a path wide enough for the horse and sled to reach the shore. In doing so, his own clothing was soaked with water. After reaching the land it was several miles to the first log cabin and when he arrived there his clothes were so firmly frozen that he could not unfasten his overcoat until he stood before the fireplace and thawed out. When the clothes could be unfastened, Sheldon Jackson was put to bed, while the good folks of the house dried out his clothes. This was an uncomfortable experience, but not as dangerous as some others. He was a number of times during those years in greater perils by floods.

Class	Date		Charter Number	Mention 1904
		6 miles S.E. of [illegible] Iowa Became the Colorado Presbyterian Church		
		In 1867 Denver had 2 Single Churches [illegible] members.		
		March 20 1874 United with Church of Colorado Springs		
				Dead
		6 miles East of Council Bluffs. Lived 1641 Was dropped by Presbytery		Dead

Year Present

Charter Members
Register 1909

United with Presby 1877

(3 Churches)

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Allowed to die by Rev. Brackelton who was Commissioned to care for it. — dead

Neglected by Rev Brackelton & allowed to die — dead

Neglected by the Missionary Rev. J. R. Rodes and allowed to die. (Was reorganized in

(2 Chs)

(3 Chs)

{Mining Camps
died from removals — [illegible]
dead

A Mining Camp in the Basalt [illegible] feet above the sea. Lived years & then died from removals of people. — dead

8

A Mexican Church. Does not appear to have been enrolled by Presbytery. About 1886 reorganized under the name of the [illegible]

Church Organization Continued

No.	Date		[illegible]
		Through the disagreement of the members it was so [illegible] [illegible] a Church [illegible] that it [illegible] was [illegible] organized in [illegible] German Congregational into under Comity.	

COPY.

L.F.C.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

May 11, 1905.

Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D. D.,

Lincoln University,

Pa.

Dear Brother:

If I broke my good and much needed rule for anybody it would be for that glorious old Christian pioneer Sheldon Jackson.

But three or four years ago I was compelled to make solemn resolution to decline all requests to write "Introductions" to books.

1st. My doctor forbids all pen work not absolutely necessary - and writing introductions is not easy work.

2nd. Applications become numerous and embarrassing for this sort of difficult work.

I regret That I must stand to my good rule in this case for several of those whose requests I had to decline are good friends who would feel wounded if I made any exception for others.

God bless you in your good undertaking.

I am yours most heartily,

Theodore L. Cuyler.

P. S. I am not a "man of leisure" as many suppose - but the calls on me are beyond my time and strength. I must "take in sail".

Washington D.C. May 29 05

Collector of Taxes D.C.

Sir

Enclosed find my Check for three hundred forty eight 45/100 in payment of enclosed tax bills for June 30, 1905.

The taxes of Square 50, Lot 5[illegible] + parts of lots 52, 53 & 54 have been already paid by Thomas E. Martin Real Estate Dealer 1425 N.Y. Ave.

If the Check is not correct please telephone me, U.S. Bureau of Education Washington D.C.

Truly Yours

Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

June 1, 1905.

Messrs S. Foster & Co.,
26 California Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sirs:

This Division has agreed to pay Mr. Axel E. Karlson of Unalakleet, Alaska, 7/10 tons of the supplies which were transported by you last September for Mr. Karlson from San Francisco to Unalakleet.

In order that this amount may be included in the voucher in Mr. Karlson's favor, will you please be so kind as to send me a receipt on your bill head agreeing with the form which I enclose.

This receipt will then be used as a sub-voucher to Mr. Karlson's voucher and in this way we can pay the money to him.

The above is part of the freight which Mr. Karlson has already paid you.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure.)

San Francisco, Cal.,
June 1, 1905.

Received from Axel E. Karlson, $14.00 for transportation of 7/10 tons of supplies for the reindeer station at Unalakleet from San Francisco to Unalakleet at $20. per ton.

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June 2, 1905.

Mr. D. B. Martin,
Manager of Passenger Traffic,
General Offices B. & O. R.R.,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for Clergyman's Permit, No. 6535.

I mailed you yesterday a couple of Alaska Reports, which if you do not find time to dip into, possibly you have children who may be interested in them.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

June 2, 1905.

Rev. W. G. Wallace, D. D.,
15 Madison Avenue,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Doctor;

Your letter of May 29th conveying the kind invitation of Mrs. Wallace to be your guest while in Toronto, is received and accepted. I trust that you will receive me as one of the family and not as a stranger.

I hope to reach Toronto on the morning of June 22, in time to meet the International Executive Committee (of which I am a member) at King Edward Hotel.

If the train from Washington arrives sufficiently early I will come direct to the Manse; if the train should be late I may go directly to the Hotel and then come to the house after the meeting.

Faithfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

June 2, 1905.

Mrs. C. K. Swartz,
918 North Fulton Avenue,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Mrs. Swartz:

Your postal of yesterday informing me that the fifty dollars for the Alaska Life-boat had been sent to Mr. Marsden is received. I rejoice greatly that you were able to accomplish it and I am sure that your prayers and those of the donors will follow the gift.

With kind regards to your husband and children I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

June 2, 1905.

Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph. D.,
206 Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In response to yours of May 22nd I enclose one dollarfor the Reform Bureau.

You need not send me your literature as I am sufficiently acquainted with the movement to be interested without the literature which you can send to others who may need it more than I.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

L. B. C.

June 2, 1905.

Mrs. William Thaw,
P. O. Box 1036,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Thaw:

In response to your request of May 19, I have gone over the enclosed correspondence, not only that, but in order to have the historical record for myself, have had them copied.

I have no objections to having them sent to Dr. Dickson, Indeed will be glad to have him see the correspondence.

Dr Bailey, some weeks ago resigned the presidency of Westminster College and has been installed pastor of one of the Washington City churches. Can you suggest a suitable man with a strong hand, for president?

Your telegram for the address of Dr. Campbell was received and immediately answered by mail.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U.S.Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.J.

June 2, 1905.

To The Secretary of the Home Missionary Society,
Congregational Rooms,
4th Avenue & 22nd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Sirs:

There is a Congregational Minister at Bettles on the Koyukuk River, Alaska, The Rev. D. W. Cram.

He and his wife were employed last year by the Government as teachers, but as there is only need of one teacher at that place, I ~~wanted~~ wish to ~~[illegible]~~ confer if you ~~could~~ can not appoint Mr. Cram as your missionary and allow us to appoint his wife as Government teacher, thus sharing the expenses of supporting the family. I speak of it now, that you may be thinking it over.

I hope to be in New York, June 8th and 9th, and will take occasion to call upon you.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 2, 1905.

Miss Alice Fletcher,
c/o Peabody Museum,
Howard University,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Miss Fletcher:

I have mislaid your letter and am not sure that I know just what you wanted me to tell you. I think, however, it was about the establishment of schools in Alaska. I have therefore mailed you the Annual Report for 1905, which gives a review of the preceding 10 years of school work in Alaska.

The first permanent public schools in Alaska, were inaugurated by myself in 1885, several of them being schools which I had previously established under missionary auspices, but which in 1885 were turned over to the Government.

I am very glad that nothing more serious than malaria had gotten hold of you. I trust you have got it out of you now.

Your farewell letter to the family rather frightened us, as we feared that something more desperate was the matter with you. I trust that the New England air will fetch you out all right.

Wife and daughters would send love if they knew I was writing. If I can furnish further information, please write me again.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.R.C.

June 5, 1905.

Rev. James H. Colborne,
Esperance,
N. Y.

My dear Sir:

Several years ago about the time that the Presbyterian Church was repaired, a photographer in Esperance, took some negatives of the church, both of the exterior and the interior. If those negatives are in possession of a photographer in the village at present, kindly pass this letter over to him.

I would like two good photographs of the exterior of the Presbyterian Church before it was repaired and two of the interior in its former condition.

I would like good sharp cut prints from which ~~could~~ can be made good ~~good~~ half tone illustrations for a book.

If the photographer will kindly mail to me said photographs, with a bill for the same, I will remit promptly.

As you probably know I was baptized in the old church and have always felt a very deep interest in its welfare.

Trusting that you find your field a pleasant one, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Washington D.C.
June 10th 1905

Dear Brother,

Yours of May 5th was awaiting my return from the wedding. I am in favor of letting the St Paul lot go at $4000. with $500 down and the balance in annual payments as specified. the deed not to be given until $2000 is paid.

Love to all. Truly yours
Sheldon Jackson

Enclosure

I ~~ha~~ will write asking Mr Cochrane if he makes the sale whether he can not make ~~payment~~ a payment on his account equal to the commission, unless you have a similar account against him.

U.S. Bureau of Education
Washington D.C. June 10.05

Mr Thomas Cochran
416 Endicott Building
St Paul Minn.

Dear Sir

Your note for $3642.00 is due—
Shall I mail it to you for renewal?
While hoping that you are conscientious in not forwarding any interest notwithstanding repeated promises, yet I can not feel that you are treating me right—

If Mother's lot on Payne Ave should be sold, why can you not turn over your commission for sale, to me on account?

Trusting that your family are well
I remain
Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

Washington D.C. 6/10 5

Mr Charles D Lanier
Office of Review of Reviews
13 Astor Place N.Y.C N.Y.

Sir

In response to yours of June 3rd I will write you an Article on the Reindeer in Alaska for seventy five dollars, the same to be ready about Aug 1st.

Let me know if this is satisfactory. How many illustrations do you desire?

Very Sincerely Yours
Sheldon Jackson

I regretted not seeing you yesterday at the Office.

L.E.C.

June 10, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
Woman's Home Missionary Society,
150 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Madam:

The Alaska maps have come from the printer, but I have mislaid your order for your Society. Won't you kindly write me and let me know the number ordered and I will forward to you at once. I have your letter of April 28th, by me in which you say that you shall not change your order on account of the extra cent in cost, but that letter does not state what the order is. It will probably be several years before we publish another map as large as this one. This one can be seen across a small room, such as many of your auxiliary societies meet in. Hereafter our maps will only be about one fourth of the size of the present one, so that you had better order a sufficient number of the large ones to last two or three years.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Washington D.C. June^{13} 5

Mr Henry T Van Pelt. Treas.
Westminster Coll
Salt Lake Utah

Dear Sir

I enclose you $100 from my wife for the College building. Please enclose to me duplicate receipts for her.

Who have the Trustees in view for President of College?

Sincerely yours
Sheldon Jackson

Enclosure

Washington D.C. June 13 5

Messrs McNiece & McClain
Salt Lake

Dear Brethren

I write you jointly, not knowing whether you are both in the city

I send you to-day, through the Bureau of Education by registered mail 5 boxes & 2 small paper bundles of books. To morrow (if the mail waggon comes) will send you 11 mail sacks of books. They are from an old library some of them will be valuable for reference or consultation. All will help swell the number in the College library, which of itself calls attention to the College.

With kind regards to your households, I remain

Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

June 14, 1905.

Rev. George F. McAfee, D. D.,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. McAfee:

A Miss Margaret Hughes, who has been teaching at Grassy Cove, Tennessee, has through President McAfee, applied for a school in Alaska.

Please give me the experience of the Woman's Board with her. Is she both a good teacher in the school room and a good ~~teacher~~ missionary outside of the school room?

If convenient send me an early reply.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 14, 1905.

Miss Lanora Easter,
Park College,
Parkville, Mo.

Madam:

Your several letters asking for a school in Alaska, near Ketchikan is received.

There is a vacancy at Saxman, Mrs. Myers having resigned her position as teacher. I can offer you that position at $70. per month, for the school year and railroad and steamship fare from your home to Saxman.

The Government requires a first class teacher. The community requires that the Government teacher should be a faithful missionary. It is not sufficient to be faithful in the school room only, but we would like for our teachers among the natives to have that spirit that they will not be satisfied with teaching during school hours, but will visit the children at their homes and try to lead both parents and children in to Christian civilization.

I regret to say that a few of the Park students that went out last winter have failed in this particular. Unless a teacher is willing to do this extra work outside the school, there is no use of her taking charge of the school, for her teaching will not be a success without the outside missionary work. If you feel led to desire such work as I have outlined, you can telegraph me at Government expense, that is, leaving the telegram to be paid for at this end of the line.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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L.E.C.

June 14, 1905.

President Lowell M. McAfee,
Parkville, Mo.

My dear Mr. McAfee:

Mr. Arch R. Law of Kasaan, Alaska, has written me a strong letter in behalf of appointment of teacher in Alaska for Miss Mac Lean. Kindly send me your judgment concerning her.

the Park

I have been disappointed during the last year at some of your graduates, who went out a year ago. They did reasonably well in the school room, but were no account outside the school room among the native people. They made no attempt whatever to do mission work. While as Government teachers they can not be required to do mission work, I had hoped that the Park graduates would be anxious to do mission work without being required, and in recommending your graduates to me for appointments in Alaska, I hope you will bear this feature in mind. I want good teachers in the Government schools and good missionaries for the native people whose children are in school. It is the only condition that will succeed in teaching among a native population, just coming out of heathenism.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 15, 1905.

Rev. T. H. Cleland,
Duluth, Minn.

My dear Dr. Cleland:

The address which you ask for is Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D. D., Lincoln University, Chester County, Pa.

Dr. Stewart has kindly undertaken the work of writing my biography and is calling upon some of my earlier friends for incidents in connection with my work in their respective sections.

It will give me pleasure to aid you in securing a position as Assistant Secretary of the Home Board in the West. I had not received an intimation that they were anticipating the establishment of such an office. If you have occasion to write to any one on the subject, you are at liberty to give them my name as an endorsement. Your long experience in Home Mission work has made you familiar with all the ins and outs.

My eldest daughter Delia, some three years ago was admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, as a lawyer. My second daughter, Bessie, is housekeeper for her mother and a member of the Artist Society of Washington. Mrs. Jackson is only fairly well, has been threatened with nervous prostration and is compelled to live a quiet life. We both of us regret not seeing more of you and Mrs. Cleland while at the General Assembly, in New York two or three years ago. There was such a whirl of excitement, that I did not begin to accomplish what I had hoped in the way of seeing old friends.

I presume you noticed the action of the Synod of Iowa last fall in appointing a committee to erect a monument on the hill at Sioux City, where you, Elliott and myself held that prayer meeting early in May '69.

I send you a monograph written by Dr. Stewart in '77. The same man who is now at work on my biography. I hope we may again meet in the flesh. Possibly if the Synod of Iowa is prompt in getting their monument, the original three may be spared to be present.

With kind regards to Mrs. Cleland and the young people, if any of them are home, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.R.C.

June 15, 1903.

Mr. Fred D. Lanier,
Managing Editor, Reviews of Reviews,
13 Astor Place,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Yours of June 13, is received with reference to the photographs for a Christmas article on the Reindeer in Alaska.

I regret to state that I will be unable to send you the photographs for some days yet. When I returned home, I looked over a list of my photographs and found that all the good ones had been culled out and used in the Government publications. I am now unfastening the red tape necessary to secure the return from the Government of some of the original photographs. I may possibly be able to send them next week and I may not be able to send them until the last week in June, but will send them at the earliest possible moment When sent, however, they will simply be a loan to ~~either~~ the R of R. company, as they belong to the Government and I can not alienate them. After you have had your plates made, it will be necessary to return the originals to this Office.

I am expecting to throw a Christmas flavor into the article.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

Washington, D. C.
June 16, 1905.

List of photographs requested by the Commissioner of Education for the Alaska Division under date of June 15, 1905, printed copies of which are hereby enclosed to guide the Printing Office in the selection of the photographs. (If the Printing Office wishes to transfer the copies of the photographs to the Bureau of Education, all the photographs belonging to the Introduction of Domestic Reindeer into Alaska for the years 1893, 1896, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904, they can be sent. If they are not all sent for those years, kindly select out and send at once the photographs from which the following prints were made:

Annual Reindeer Report, 1893. (S. Ex. Doc. 70 - 53 - 2).
    Herd of Reindeer Lying Down.

Annual R. Report, 1896.
    Herders, Teller Reindeer Station.
    Typical Reindeer Man Siberia, Tent and Family.

Annual R. Report, 1898. (S. Ex. Doc. 34 - 55 - 3).
    Traveling With Reindeer.

Annual R. Report, 1899. (S. Ex. Doc. 245 - 56 - 1).
    Group of Finns.
    Prospecting for Gold.

Pack Train Trans-Siberian Railway.
Traveling With Reindeer.

Annual R. Report, 1900, (S. Ex. Doc. 206 56 - 2).
Reindeer on Siberian Beach.
Reindeer Crossing the River.
Nils Klemetsen Starting from Eaton.

Annual R. Report, 1901. (S. Ex. Doc. 98 - 57 - 1).
Reindeer Post Station.
Reindeer Herd Grazing.
Tunguse Family Shifting Camp.
Deer Hobbled.
Loading Deer Into Boats.
Headquarters House, Teller (Winter).
" " " (Summer).
Traveling Through Snow.
Mounted Tonguses.
Milking the Reindeer.
Unloading Reindeer.
Tonguse Traveling Deer Back.
Traveling Down the Hill.

Annual R. Report, 1902. (S. Ex. Doc. 70 - 57 - 2).
Drawing Wood.
Freighting With Deer.
Family Ride.

Milking Reindeer.

Road Broken by Reindeer.

Family Reindeer.

Annual R. Report, 1903. (S. Ex. Doc. 210 - 58 - 2).

Herd of Reindeer, Seaside.

Packing With Reindeer.

Lapp and Wife on Skees.

Annual R. Report, 1904. (S. Ex. Doc. 61 - 58 - 3).

Arrival of Laplanders.

Reindeer Herders'House.

" " "

Reindeer Herd No. 2.

L.E.C.

June 16, 1905.

Rev. Paul de Schweinitz,
20 Church Street,
Bethlehem, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I enclose you Mr. Hoen's bill for maps. Please make out check payable to A. Hoen & Co., for the amount and remit the check with enclosed bill back to this office.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

June 16, 1905.

Mr. H. W. Hubbard,
American Missionary Association,
4th Avenue & 22nd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Please send me your check payable to A. Hoen & Co., or a postal money order payable in Baltimore to A. Hoen & Co., for thirty-six cents, for six copies of map of Alaska.

You will kindly remit bill and enclosure to me at Washington.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure.)

L.E.C.

June 16, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
M. E. Church, 150 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Madam:

Enclosed find bill for 250 copies of map of Alaska. Kindly have check for fifteen dollars ($15.) made payable to the order of A. Hoen & Co., sending check and bill to me.

Hoping that you found the maps satisfactory, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

June 16, 1905.

Miss S. F. Lincoln,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Madam:

Enclosed find bill for 250 copies of map of Alaska. Kindly have check made payable to the order of A. Hoen & Co., and send check and bill back to me.

Respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

June 16, 1905.

Mr. George C. Thomas,
Domestic & Foreign Missionary Society, P. E. Church,
281 4th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Sir:

Enclosed find bill for 100 copies of map of Alaska ordered by Mr. John W. Wood. Kindly make out check for six dollars ($6.00) to A. Hoen & Co., and return bill and check to me.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure.)

L.E.C.

June 16, 1905.

Mr. A. Hoen & Co.,
Chester, Chase & Biddle Sts.,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday enclosing bill to the several Missionary Societies, is received. I have this day forwarded the bills for payment.

Your bill to the Bureau of Education will be audited to-day and sent to the Disbursing Clerk for payment.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure.)

L.B.C.

June 14, 1905.

Mr. Arch R. Law,
10 E. Main St., Galesburg, Ill.

Dear Sir:

You will be reappointed at Kasaan for another year. When you come on to the Christian Endeavor Convention at Baltimore, do not fail to visit me in Washington, it is very important. Also bring with you all the information concerning the land upon which the school house is situated and we will take it up again with the Land Department.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Washington June 16

Mr John H. Voorhees
Amsterdam N.Y.

Dear Brother

I enclose you my check for $500 and Miss Gillett's note for $1500. making your half of the $4000 for which lot 11 or 1026 sold for.

In looking over my account book I find the following bills which I have paid on the lot.

Dec 26. 1896	Water main tax	$76.58 ½
Nov 24 1892	Curb + ~~[illegible]~~	58.29 (½)
June 17. 1897	Sewer	36.47
	Side walk	129.39
	Release of Trust	6.15

The water main & Curb are marked paid (½) And I presume the side walk was, but it is not marked. Please look up your books & see if ½ of the Sewer & Release of Trust have been paid.

Love to Ella Affectionately Your Bro

J K Weldon

L.E.C.

June 17, 1905.

To the President or Faculty,
McMinnville College,
McMinnville, Oregon.

Sirs:

I believe last year I secured three teachers from your Institution to wit:

Mr. F. F. Fellows to Ikogmute; Mr. V. L. Derby, to St. Michael, and James J. Potter, to Chignik, Alaska.

Through a change in the school laws of Alaska, made last Congress, some of the schools will be discontinued and I would like to know something with regard to the religious preferences of the three men. Whether they are communicants in any denominations, if so, what denominations and if so whether they are active Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work. Some of our native schools are in communities where the entire native population is connected with a mission of some denomination and while there is no connection between the public school and the mission, yet it is in the interest of Christianity and education that the missionary and the Government teacher (perhaps the only two white men in the community) should belong to the same church and be in sympathy with Christian work.

I enclose envelope for reply.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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L.E.C.

June 17, 1905.

Miss Marion Mac Lean,
Parkville College,
Parkville, Mo.

Madam:

Your telegram of to-day accepting the school at Jackson, is received.

I want unofficially to ask you a plain question. In one of Mr. Law's letters he states that you are engaged. I wish you would confidentially let me know if you are engaged to Mr. Law, or any one in Alaska. I ask this, not as a matter of curiosity, but simply because, if in God's good providence you are engaged to Mr. Law, I would give you the school at Saxman where you could see each other more frequently, then you can, if you are stationed at Jackson, and change Miss Eastor from Saxman probably to Jackson.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 17, 1905.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D. D.,
Secretary, B. H. M.,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Thompson:

Your letter of yesterday concerning Mr. Slane, is received. The school at Hoonah does not commence until the first Monday in September, consequently there is plenty of time to find out more about Mr. Slane. Allow me to suggest that you write to Dr. Marsh at his fathers' in Illinois, unless you know of some other address. Also write Mr. L. F. Jones; also to Mr. Carle, if you have his address and find out what church Mr. Slane belongs to, and what these different men say in regard to his Christian influence among the natives. It is always fair to consider a stranger in Alaska as unworthy of your confidence, unless you find through the testimony of those you can trust to the contrary. Mr. Slane is probably an agent of some fish company at Hoonah, else I do not know what he would be there for, as there are not a half dozen whites in the place. Perhaps he is there for a corporation. He can not be of much account as there is nothing for him to do unless make trouble among the natives to secure fees as Commissioner. I would also suggest that you write to him directly, and find out what denomination he is connected with.

It is a simple thing for the Government to appoint him teacher but a serious thing for you to turn over the church to him, unless you have abundant testimony that he is worthy.

I suppose that Mrs. A. R. McFarland expects to have the school again this year, as she only asked for a vacation during the past year and possibly it would not be right to appoint some outsider if she wants the place as I suppose she does. At any rate please find out all you can about Mr. Slane and let me know the results.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure.)

L.E.C.

June 17, 1905.

Mr. Thomas Cochran,
416 Endicott Building,
St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Mr. Cochran:

Your letter of June 14, is received and I feel better over the contents.

In the first years of your note, while you were transacting business for me and charging commissions, if you had turned over those commissions on account I would not have felt so much as if I was being wronged as I did when Dr. Norcross told me you were returning to him, on account, commissions on your sales for him.

In accordance with your request, I return you the note for renewal and extension and would suggest that if you draw up a new note, that you make it on or before five years. This will not require returning so often and yet allow taking it up whenever you are ready.

With kind regards to your family, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

June 19, 1905.

Mr. F. P. Dwyer,
Eastern Passenger Agent,
Grand Trunk Railway,
Railway Exchange, 290 Broadway,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I expect to leave Washington on Wednesday to attend the Sabbath School Convention at Toronto. I have a clergyman's annual half fare permit over the Baltimore & Ohio & Lehigh Valley Railroads, which takes me to Buffalo.

If it is in accordance with your rules, kindly send me a half fare trip permit from Buffalo to Toronto and return good until July 1st.

I expect to join, at Bethlehem, Pa., the Lehigh Valley train that leaves New York City at 5:40 P.M., on Wednesday and expect to have a berth in the through sleeper from Bethlehem to Toronto. That gives me no time in Buffalo to look up the Grand Trunk Agent and secure this half fare permit. Again, if I have it when I leave Washington, I can check my trunk right through to Toronto.

Hoping that it may be in your power to send me such half fare, permit,

Very respectfully yours,

(Rev) Sheldon Jackson (D.D. LL.D.)
U. S. General Agent Education in Alaska

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L.E.C.

June 19, 1905.

Mr. W. N. Hartshorn,
Room 648,
King Edward Hotel,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Brother:

Your several letters are received. I expect to join ~~be on~~ the Lehigh Valley train that leaves New York, at 5:40 P.M., Wednesday evening the 21st, at Bethlehem (8:26) and am due at Toronto at 10 o'clock A. M., June 22. Will proceed directly from the depot, to the King Edward Hotel, and hope to be present at the beginning of the first meeting of the International Executive Committee, at 11 o'clock.

I am in full sympathy with the War Cry of " Winning a Generation" and will do what I can to further the same in Alaska.

During my stay in Toronto I am the guest of Dr. Wallace, pastor of the ~~Blower~~ Bloor Street Presbyterian Church.

Trusting that your wife continues to improve in health and strength, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

June 20, 1905.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D.D.,

Secretary Home Board, 156 Fifth Avenue,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Doctor Thompson:

I enclose a letter just received from Mr. Law of Kasaan, Alaska, which creates still further complications. I do not know Mr. Montgomery personally only from reports made by the Governor. I fear he is not the man for that field, nor for Jackson for that matter. If, however, you should decide to keep him there contrary to your former purpose to send him to Jackson, we can send Law over to Jackson and let him have that field where there will be no Episcopalians to oppose.

When you are through with Mr. Law's letter please return it to me. I would suggest that you write Mr. Arch R. Law, at No. 10 Main Street, Galesburg, Ill. and offer to furnish him transportation from Galesburg to New York and return. Early in July the great Christian Endeaver Convention occurs at Baltimore and you will be able to get cheap rates from Galesburg to Baltimore and return. Then if you do not care to have him come to New York for a conference Mr. Baer could have the conference with him at Baltimore, and if you cared for it I could go over to Baltimore and meet with them. It seems to me this would be the best way to get more light on that field.

The Government has given a contract for the eraction of a teacher's residence at Klawock for $2,080, to be completed August 15th so that Mr. & Mrs. Wagner can look forward to a comfortable building. MissEdgar, who has been with them the past year will continue with then next year.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

June 20, 1905.

Mr. Arch Law,

10 East Main Street,

Galesburg, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 15th is received. The letters notifying you that you would be reappointed at Kasaan for another year have gone to Kasaan and the other was awaiting you at Galesburg on your arrival.

Bishop Rowe promised the Secretaries of the Home Board that he would not interfere with their work in Southeast Alaska among the natives. Do you know that he reprimanded Mr. Jenkins for his article which Mr. Jenkins wrote against me? The Bishop also has ordered the suspension of the Alaska Cross-bearer when its present year expires. Mr. Jenkins has been set down rather heavily upon by his Bishop and I do not think you need fear him.

I will enclose your letter at once to Dr. Thompson and ask them to arrange to bring you to the Christian Endeavor meeting at Baltimore, and from there you can visit New York --- it is important that you have a conference with them.

Do you think that Mr. Montgomery can do anything at Kasaan, or anywhere else in Alaska? Strong representations have been sent to the Board against him claiming that he is lazy and does not take any special interest in his work. I think it might be a good plan for the Board to make you their Missionary and then send in a lady teacher to take the school. I have notified Miss MacLean that I will give her a school in Southeast Alaska, but if you will take charge of her that will be much better.

I saw the letter which the Hudahs wrote the Board against Mr. Montgomery, and also a letter from Mr. Bernard and both letters were very strong.

Hoping to see you in July, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

I return your vouchers for Correction

L.E.C.

June 21, 1905.

President Lowell McAfee,
Park College
Parkville, Mo.

My dear Dr. McAfee:

Enclosed find my check for $63.03 being payment for your bill against Healy Wolfe of April 20th, 1905.

With regard to your letter of June 14, I scarcely know what to say. If you have to give him up, I think that we will have to let him go, as I do not know of any one else that will take him up and try to save him. So far as my guardianship is concerned, I give you a free hand in dealing with him and you are at liberty to take any method of discipline that you consider necessary to accomplish the saving of the boy. I am so situated that I can not do it myself, and I do not know of any one else that takes any interest in him, except the Rev. H. H. Miller, D.D., of Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Is there any Professor connected with Park whose missionary spirit would lead him to take the oversight of Healy, under you and arrange for his employment during vacations; or if the plan of the Home Department of the college gives employment to set him at work.

Healy has some good traits that by the grace of God ought to make him a useful man, if his bad traits can be brought under control.

With regard to the teachers we sent to Alaska last year, Miss Byrde Darby who went to Jackson, Miss T. Brookman, Klukwan and

Miss Amy S. Gaddis of Haines have each been reported to me as paying no attention to the pupils outside the school house. Miss Nell Edgar has been reported as very useful both in the school room and in missionary work among the native families outside of the school house. The balance of those who went through Park have not been reported either good or bad, but I will probably know what they have done later.

Miss Duncan and Miss R. McCaleb at Sitka, both did well in school matters. There has been no report whether they took any interest in helping their pupils in church matters or not. For that matter I think they have all done well in the school room and as you remarked in your letter, that is only a portion of what is needed to be done in such a country as Alaska.

I presume that I have noticed in my life a number of persons who when they ~~were~~ are among Christians think they would like to be missionaries and go to the heathen, who yet were unwilling to do slum work ~~who~~ where they live, or either try to help the ~~heathen~~ poor in their neighborhood, and when they finally reach the foreign field found they were not adapted to it. The only way to find people such as you want, is to give them a trial and then if they are not adapted to the work drop them.

Now I have answered your questions, please write the list that I sent you a few days ago, in order with your judgment would indicate that they would succeed both as teachers and as missionaries.

I have promised Miss McClain and Miss Easter schools and will probably take some of the others when I hear from you.

If you have occasion at any time to come east to see your Brooklyn brother or look after college interests, I wish you would pass through Washington and call and see me.

Can you put us on the track of a good man for President of Westminster College, Salt Lake City? We need a money raising President. Dr. Bailey our last President has accepted a call to one of the Washington churches and has resigned. Salt Lake City is a stragetic point. The Church has grammar and academic schools and needs the college to round out its influences in that country. The college has no local constituencies, because it is located in the in the center of Satan's strong hold. It is like Roberts and Bey Root colleges in the Orient and as they are moulding a new Turkish and Persian population so Christian schools crowned with a college is the only hope of the solution of the Mormon question. The Mormon Church has secured already such political power that the two great political parties of the Republicans and Democrats are afraid to antogonize it. Consequently nothing of any great value will be done by Congress and national legislation. The only solution is to Christanize and educate the Mormon children and thus create a new Mormon people. In a few years these children will be the men and women of influence and power and if the process of Christian education is pushed vigorously the day will come when the Christian Mormon element will have political control of the States. This makes the position of the college one of national importance, as it at the same time makes it a very difficult one. There are no doubt a number of men whom God would use in that position, but we do not know whom or where they are. I think possibly you mingling more or less with college men can help us to the right man.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 28, 1905.

Mr. John H. Voorhees,
262 Guy Park Avenue,
Amsterdam, N. Y.

Dear Brother:

This will introduce to you the Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D. D., who has kindly undertaken to write a story of my life and work.

I would count it a favor if you will take him to Minnaville, show him the house (adjoining the hotel) in which I was born, also take him up to the old Jackson farm & the school house where we went to school and if you have time take him around to your place, where I got my wife. I would like to have him see the country of my boyhood. Then he wants to see Esperance. Perhaps you can start him on the stage over the hills and let him return to Saratoga by rail through Albany.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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L.E.C.

June 28, 1905.

Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D.D.,
61 Philadelphia Street,
Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Stewart:

Yours of June 20th, has been awaiting my return from the International Sabbath School Convention at Toronto, Canada.

If you go up to Amsterdam to see Dr. McEwen, I have a brother-in-law, Mr. John H. Voorhees living in Amsterdam and I send you a letter asking him to take you to Min~~n~~aville four miles distant and show you the house adjoining the hotel, in which I was born, and from which I was carried out as a babe when the house was on fire. The fire, however, was extinguished without very much damage. Two miles beyond Min~~n~~aville is the farm house (the old Jackson homestead), where my grandfather, father and myself lived during my boyhood, many years. Then if you have the time, you can take the Railroad to Albany, about 30 miles and from Albany to Esperance about 30 miles or from Amsterdam to Esperance by stage & return by rail through Albany. and see the old stone church where I was baptized and with which I united on profession of faith. My boyhood, however, from about 6 years of age until I graduated from the Theological Seminary, 24 years of age, was spent at the old Jackson homestead farm two miles from Min~~n~~aville.

When at the Jackson homestead, it is only a couple of miles to the Voorhees homestead, where Mrs. Jackson was born and brought up and married.

I like very much that idea of Governor Brady, that you should go to Alaska. It will greatly clear your conceptions of the work in Alaska. It is so different from any and every other section of the United States. If you cannot go this season, go next, but do not complete the book until you have gone.

I will take your letter home with me to-night and see what answer Mrs. Jackson will give to your question.

Much love to Mrs. Stewart from the household.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Enclosure

COPY.

(Confidential.)

Wales, Alaska, April 1, 1905

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent Education in Alaska,
Washington, D. C.

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The boys drove a herd to Teller and Nome during the past month where they sold over $750 worth of meat. This was divided among the different herders who sold their deer and the Mission which also had deer in the herd which was driven down. The people of Nome were glad to get the meat and the boys expect to sell a larger amount next year. The money received for the meat will go to pay for supplies.

Mr. Lee the missionary did not go out as was expected but stayed and continued part of the services on the chance that the A. M. A. would allow him salary for it. I had secured the remains of the car of the supply schooner for those who needed supplies and by securing them at the rate at which we did all who needed supplies secured them at prices equal the price at San Francisco. Supplies were furnished Mr. Lee for the winter. He has since gone to Nome and left his family here. Both Mr. Lopp and myself have offered to be of service in any way we can. They have ample supplies and will doubtless have some to dispose of in the spring. They have already sold some. I understand that Mrs. Lee recently stated they were out of fuel and could get none but I offered coal to them if they would come and get it. She has also stated that the children have not sufficient food.

Both Mr. Lopp and myself have offered them deer meat but they refused to take it. It is unfortunate that Mr. Lee and family did not go out as was intended in the summer. Mr. Lee's character has not been such as to make his influence for the best in a community like this for nearly all the natives as well as the whites know that he both drank and gamed with several parties and made frequent trips to the neighboring mining camp at Tin City for this purpose.

The natives have been urging us to endeavor to persuade you to grant them a school at Kegiktuk near Shishmaref Inlet. It is about eighty miles north of the cape and has about thirty children in the village. The natives appreciate a school and have in several instances come to the Cape to attend school. A building with a school room 30 x 20 would be large enough or even smaller 20 x 20.

The mines in the neighborhood of the Cape are still in the experimental stage. No ore has been taken out except the placer tin which was taken out from Buck Creek last summer. Several parties consider that they have good prospects and the ore shows a good analysis but so far no ledge has been discovered. Considerable money has been spent in looking for the ledge which no doubt exists.

I trust that we may have the pleasure of seeing you up here this summer when we shall be glad to welcome you to the Cape.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) A. W. Evans.

P. S. Mr. Larson and two of the boys from the Teller Reindeer Station returned to Teller to-day. He spent about four days with us. His visit was much enjoyed. Please do not publish this letter for while it is true possibly it would not be best to publish it. Mr. Lee is at present trying to secure a position in Nome but has not succeeded. We have been trying to find what disposal he made of the funds which were entrusted to him tax by Okback to be forwarded to Foster & Co. but as yet have been unable to find any direct evidence as to its disposal. He has spent considerable time in Nome during each of the past two years and may have disposed of part of it there or with others with whom he has been associated or it may be still in his possession.

A. W. B.

L.E.C.

June 28, 1905.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D. D.,
Secretary, B. H. M.
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Thompson:

Upon my return from the International Sabbath School Convention at Toronto, Canada, I find a letter from Arch R. Law of Kasaan, Alaska who hopes to attend the Christian Endeavor Convention at Baltimore, and will go over from Washington to New York for a conference with the Board, if you will pay his traveling expenses between Washington and New York and return to Washington. Probably he means by that, between Baltimore and New York, as I doubt not he will have a special ticket between Galesburg Ill and Baltimore and return.

I think it is important that you have a conference with him concerning Kasaan, as I also expect to have a full talk with him.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 28, 1905.

Miss Martha Van Marter,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
New York, N. Y.

Madam:

Enclosed find receipt for maps. If you have not yet received the maps, please drop us a line.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

June 28, 1905.

Mr. Wilbur S. Hinman,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 26, was awaiting my return from the Sabbath School Convention at Toronto, Canada.

I still hold the notes which you speak of secured on lot 212, square 1294 and you can send me a check for the interest, addressed to me at the Concord Flats, or the U. S. Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 29, 1905.

Mr. Shirley Eaton,
c/o Mackay & Co.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your two letters of June 21, were awaiting my return from Toronto where I had been in attendance on the Sabbath School Convention.

I have signed and now send you by registered mail the papers which you sent me.

I think it is risky turning over property to a third party. I do not see why a proxy to Mr. Addy would not have accomplished the same purpose. However, I enclose the same to you as you request.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

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Sheldon Jackson

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L.E.C.

June 29, 1905.

Mr. John H. Voorhees,
262 Guy Park Avenue,
Amsterdam, N. Y.

Dear Brother:

The Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D.D., is engaged writing my life and work. He wants to go to Amsterdam and go over the ground of my boyhood at Min~~n~~aville and on the farm, also visit Esperance. I have given him a letter of introduction to you. When he comes, please show him such attentions as you can. He was very kind to Mary and the daughters, the summer that they spent at Falmouth. Mass.

If convenient, take a buggy and take him to Min~~n~~aville, also to the old Jackson farm and to your farm. Then to see Esperance, I think you told me there was a stage from Amsterdam or Minnaville by the way of Burton. He might go to Esperance that way and then return from Esperance to Saratoga Springs by rail.

Any expense that you are at for livery, please send me the bill. I have written to Dr. Stewart to write you in advance of his coming so that you might be ready for him.

With love to Ella, I remain,

Yours very truly,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 29, 1905.

Rev. Robert L. Stewart, D. D.,
61 Philadelphia Street,
Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

Dear Doctor:

I forgot to say in my letter of last night, that when you get ready to go to Amsterdam, you had better write my brother-in-law, Mr. John H. Voorhees, 262 Guy Park Avenue, in advance, so that he may be at home and have his business arranged to take you up to Min~~h~~aville and the farm.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 30, 1905.

Mr. Thomas Cochrane,
416 Endicott Building,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Cochrane:

Mr. Lewellyn's letter of June 27, enclosing a renewal of the note is safely received. Thanks.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

L.E.C.

June 30, 1905.

Rev. Chas. L. Thompson, D. D.,
B. H. M. Society,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Thompson:

I enclose you a letter from Mr. Law in which you will notice his proposition to take charge of the Presbyterian work at Kasaan as a layman.. If you can appoint him, he will do good work very much like Mr. Mackintosh at Haines, then I will send a lady teacher to Kasaan, as I understand Mr. Law will probably get married while East.

Mr. Law has accomplished in Christian work more than any teacher that we have sent to southeast Alaska. I wish he could have studied for the ministry. Mr. McAfee of Park College, gives him the highest endorsement and we have found those endorsements correct by practical experience at Kasaan.

I hope you will send for Mr. Law to come from Baltimore to New York, for a conference with you. You can address the letter to my care at Washington.

Please return the enclosed letter.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

June 30, 1905.

Mr. Arch R. Law,
10 E. Main Street,
Galesburg, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 27, is received. We are expecting you at Washington when you come to the Christian Endeavor Convention at Baltimore.

I have written to the Board of Board of Home Missions to consent to pay your expenses from Baltimore to New York and return. I have also advised them to appoint you their missionary at Kasaan and then the Bureau of Education would appoint a lady missionary, of your selection, as teacher.

It is very important that you should see us at Washington and the Board in New York. While in Washington perhaps you can help straighten out the tangle about the site for the school house at Kasaan.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

COPY. L.E.C.

Evanston, Wyoming,
June 25, 1905.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Friend:

I cannot refrain from writing a line in answer to your kind letter of sympathy upon the death of my dear father. Among the memories of childhood your loved presence in our home stands out distinctly and though we have not chanced to meet for many years, your voice and face are very clear to me. How we children looked forward to your visits, and how happy my dear parents always were in them! Every step of your useful life has been followed by us with almost a feeling of propriatorship, and dear Papa's prayers were often raised to God's throne for your work. Just now life seems sad without the touch of his loving hand and the sound of his dear voice praying daily for us, but our hearts are full of gratitude to God for his beautiful life and his peaceful death. The dear mother, who has been such a faithful and loving companion in his declining years, is with me now, and we are going soon together to New York, where Minnie's daughter lives for a visit. If you should chance to be there within the next few weeks our address will be 94 Hamilton Place, and we should be so glad to see you.

Very sincerely your friend,
"Betty" Arnold Stone.
(Mrs. Chas. Stone).

Rev. F. L. Arnold of Wyoming + Utah

EDUCATION OFFICE,

Washington, July 3, 1905.

Arch R. Law,
10 East Main Street,
Galesburg, Illinois.

Doctor Thompson will pay expenses Baltimore to New York and return.

Sheldon Jackson
Gen'l Agent.

Official

to Education Office.

L.E.C.

July 3, 1905.

Mr. Fred D. Lanier,
Managing Editor, Review of Reviews,
13 Astor Place, New York, N. Y.

Sir:

It has taken me almost the entire month of June to run down the government red tape and finally learn to-day that I can not get the original photographs of the reindeer until Congress meets next December. I send you, however, a few originals which I have, a large number of half tone prints, the originals of which I have been trying to get and failed for the present. I can, however, have copies made out from the original half tones, that are in the possession of the Government Printing Office, if that will be satisfactory. Or I can furnish you fresh prints similar to those which I am sending you, if you can reproduce them. I am very sorry that I have had no better success in this matter.

Please let me know at an early date whether to go on writing the article, also return to me all the prints I send you which you do not care to use.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Loaned Country Calendar, July 3, 1905.

Group of Lapp Children.

A Lapp Reindeer Herder and his family, home and favorite deer.

Lapp Reindeer Herder's Families and Huts. (2 views).

Lapp Reindeer Family, Tent, Sled and Skees.

A Reindeer Woman and her Babe.

Herd of Reindeer by the Seaside.

Dehorned Reindeer enroute to Alaska. (2 views).

Herd of Reindeer, Teller Station.

Packing with Reindeer.

Milking Reindeer (2 views.)

Mary Andrewuk (3 views).

An Eskimo Girl.

An Eskimo Boy.

Reindeer Herd, St. Lawrence Island.

Reindeer Herder's cabins, Kuskokwim Valley.

Riding Reindeer, Siberia.

Reindeer Herd, Point Barrow.

Lassooing Reindeer (2 views.)

Reindeer Herd on the Beach.

Reindeer Herd Feeding.

Reindeer Herd, Nushagak.

Reindeer Hobbled for Transportation.

Loading Reindeer into Ship's Boat.

Group of Lapland Reindeer Herders, Family and Tents.

Lapland Reindeer Herder in his Native Dress.

Reindeer Saddled.

Trio of Reindeer.

Riding Reindeer in the Deep Snow.

Reindeer Breaking a Road Through Deep Snow.

An Eskimo Boy in Full Dress.

Wrecked Whalers.

Reindeer Teams. (2 views).

Riding Reindeer.

Reindeer Herd by the Seaside.

Lapp Reindeer Herders at Teller Reindeer Station.

L.E.C.

July 3, 1905.

Rev. John F. Hinkhouse,
Sioux City,
Iowa.

Dear Brother:

Yours with regard to my visit to Sioux City in October is received.

So far as I now know, there is nothing to prevent my doing so and I hope Brother Clelland may be able to come too; also the Rev. J. C. Elliott at Shreve, Ohio.

I send you under separate enclosure a picture of the Massachusetts State Monument at Vicksburg for your consideration. The large granite bowlder, left in the rough, with a panel on each of the four sides, dressed and polished for an inscription, makes in my mind a more effective monument than marble shafts that are usually placed in the cemeteries of the land. The Haystack Monument a copy of which I sent you last fall is more like an old fashioned tomb stone rather than a memorial of a great event. A large rough bowlder, without the soldier top it seems to me would be very effective. Such blocks are now being placed in the National Cemetery at Arlington near Washington, to the great Generals of the Civil War, like Sherman and Sheridan and others.

Instead of the polished square on the rough surface, some of them have a bronze plate fastened to the rock. This of course greatly increases the expense. A rugged rock symbolizes the rugged work, that the men of '69 had to undertake in planting the church in the regions beyond.

While much of the expense undoubtedly would come from Sioux City yet, I think that the committee ought to look for help especially in the Synods of Nebraska and Colorado and something from the stronger churches in western Iowa. Permit me to suggest that your committee send an official communication to the stated clerks of the Synods of Nebraska, Colorado and Montana, asking them to try and arouse an interest in the same at the next Synodical meeting. Possibly if I am well enough you could arrange the meetings in Sioux City so to allow Brother Clelland and myself to also visit the Synods of Nebraska and Colorado. The Sioux City meeting might be held between the annual meetings of the two Synods, so as not to require unnecessary time away from our homes.

I hope you will write me freely about your plans and call upon me for any help that I can afford you.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education for Alaska.

Washington D.C. July 7 5

Mess H.C. Davison & Co
337 Broadway New York N.Y.

Sir

The 20 Reams (9 X 11) of Davison's "Imperial Fibre" paper which you sent me Sept. 14, 1904 fell short of my needs. Kindly express me at once 6000 additional sheets. (single) and mail bill for same

Hope you will give me the old price of 80 cts a ream

Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson
U.S. Bureau of Education
Washington
D.C.

Washington D.C. July 5

The Ames & Thomas
Lancaster Fire Escape Works
Lancaster Pa.

Sirs

In extending the fire Escape on the West-side of The Concord Flats your workmen need admission to the flat occupied by Justice Peele of the Court of Claims. The family are away, and access to the rooms can be had only during July. And soon in July I should have notification at what [illegible]

[illegible]

Bureau of Education
Washington D.C. July 11th 5

H. C. Davison & Co
237 Broadway New York N.Y.

Ordered seventh Jul. Six thousand sheets Imperial Fibre Copying paper. If not sent rush by Express.

Sheldon Jackson

July 11 5

S. Foster & Co.
San Francisco – Cal.
Sirs:–

On examining your receipt for $14 received from Axel C. Karlson for freight on 7/10 tons of supplies for the mission station at Unalakleet, I find that you have not signed it.

If you will kindly sign the receipt we will be able to pay Mr. Karlson his money.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson

Washington D.C. July 11 5

Union Loan & Trust Co
Minneapolis Minn

Sirs

I have about $4000 to loan on gilt edge securities at 5 pr ct. I prefer 2 or 3 small loans to one large one. I shall depend upon your selection & recommendation

Very Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson
The Concord

Washington D.C. July 11 5

David C. Cook. Pub Co 6
Elgin Ill.

Sir

At Toronto I purchased + paid for two copies (one bound + the other in paper covers) of Seeking Gold in Alaska. Do not remember the exact title. The books were to be mailed me after the Convention from Illinois.

Please look up the matter + send on the books

Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

Washington D.C. July 11th 6

W. H. Hartshorne
120 Boylston St. Boston Mass

Dear Brother

Records of the doings of the Executive Comtee seem to be Correct as I remember them.

You can put me down for 4 Copies of the S.S. History.

If you republish the illustrations of the Ex Comtee instead of printing under my picture as in Programme & Hand Book at Toronto "Rev S. Jackson" please put "Sheldon Jackson" as that is the better known name in Europe & America.

Hope you found Mrs Hartshorne improved, when you returned home

The Lord bless you both —

Sincerely Yours
Sheldon Jackson

Washington D.C.
July 17th 1905

Wilson Loan & Trust Co
Minneapolis Minn

Sirs
Enclosed find Exchange on New York for four thousand & thirty five 7/100 dollars ($4035 7/100) for the two loans you offered me.

Yours truly
[illegible] Jackson

July 11.
Washington D.C. 6

Mr Harry [illegible] [illegible]
Art Ed. Country Calendar
13 Astor Place, New York

Sir:

Your [illegible] referred to the Treasury [illegible] Dept & by Dr W. T. Harris [illegible] [illegible] on this desk. I have found 3 additional photos which [illegible] you under separate cover.
(1) [illegible] Reindeer, Carrying Mails [illegible]
(2) Lieut. Bertholf ~~of~~ R.C.S. riding a [illegible] reindeer
(3) Herd. These are [illegible]

On July 3rd I mailed Mr Lanier a large number to select from.

Mr Zeph[illegible] [illegible], Sec. for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Madison Ave & 26th St. has a few reindeer photos.

I regret that I cannot find you the address of Miles Bros. Photographers.

[illegible]

5: [illegible] of reindeer

When you decide on illustrations send me the subjects that I may refer to them in the Article.

Very truly yours

Sheldon Jackson

It is now possible that I will visit Seattle the last of August & may find something there, unless you find what you want nearer home.

SAMUEL JACKSON.

Member of the 29th Session of the New York Legislature, Jan 28 - April 7, 1806.

The 40th Annual Session , N. Y. Legislature, Nov. 5 - 12, 1816; Jan. 14 - 1815, 1817.

The 41st Session of the N. Y. Legislature, Jan. 27 - April 21, 1818.

The 42nd Session of the N. Y. Legislature, Jan. 5 - April 13, 1819.

The 48th Session of the N. Y. Legislature , Jan 4,- April 21, 1825.

At the 29th, 40th, 41st, he represented the county of Montgomery, N. Y.

In the 47th and 48th Sessions, he represented Montgomery and Hamilton counties, N. Y.

ALEXANDER SHELDON.

Member of the New York State Assembly (Legislature) 24th Session Nov. 4 - 8, 1900. Jan. 27 - April 8, 1801.

The 25th Session, Jan. 26 - April 5, 1802.

The 26th Session, Jan. 25 - April 26, 1803.

The 27th Session, Jan 31 - April 10, 1804.

The 28th Session, Nov. 6 - 12, 1804. Jan. 23 - April 10, 1805.

The 29th Session, Jan. 28 - April 7, 1806.

The 30th Session, Jan. 27 - April 7, 1807.

The 31st Session, Jan. 28 - April 11, 1808.

The 35th Session, Jan. 28 - March 27, & May 21 - June 19, 1812.

In the above Assemblies he represented the county of Montgomery.

The 49th Session, 1826 elected by the counties of Montgomery and Hamilton, he was unseated in a contested election with Mathias Bovee.

Speaker of the New York Assembly at the 27th (1804), 28th (1804-1805), 29th (1806), 31st (1808), and 35th (1812) sessions of the Assembly.

The regent of the University of New York under the act of May, 1784; appointed Feb. 11, 1808.

Served until April 1817.

Elected county judge of Montgomery County, March 3, 1815; served until Feb. 9, 1819.

Delegate from Montgomery County, N. Y. to the convention of 1821, for the revision of the state constitution.

See sketch in Appleton's Cyclopedia of American Biography, 1894 .

July 24, 1905.

Mr. Stanton Cady,
Sing Sing, New York.

Dear Stanton;

I am trying to hunt up some information concerning my Grandparents and am only sorry that I did not start before your sister passed away. as I think she would have known more concerning Grandfather Jackson than probably you do.

Can you tell me whether the dwelling on the old farm was erected by him or by my Father? Was Grandfather Jackson in partnership with your Father or Judge Cady? The history of Montgomery County says Judge Cady. Was the original store on the road to Schoharie Creek between the Sherbourne and Sweet farms; When was the store removed to Min~~e~~aville? The house that my Father occupied at Min~~e~~aville adjoining the tavern ---did he own it or rent it? What year did he move to Esperance?

Enclosed find some data concerning Grandfather Jackson as a member of the New York Legislature.

With love to Mrs. Cady and the children, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

July 24, 1905.

Judge Samuel Jackson,
Schenectady, New York.

Dear Cousin:

I am after some information concerning Grandfather Jackson. The history of Montgomery County says that he went into partnership with Judge Cady in conducting a store.

Can you tell me whether it was Judge Cady or Jay Cady who was so long president of a bank in Schenectady? Can you give me the date when my Father removed from Min~~e~~aville to Esperance?

In looking through the State Library at Albany I find that Grandfather Jackson was a member of the New York Assembly during the 29th, 40th, 41st, 42d and 48th sessions; also represented Montgomery County as Committeeman at the time of the celebration at the opening of the Erie Canal.

Trusting that you and your household are in usual health I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

~~Enclosure~~

July 24, 1905.

Mrs. George Norcross,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sister:

I am still in search of information about the Grand-parents. I send you some data that I secured in the New York State Library at the time of John's wedding.

Can you tell me when Father removed from Min~~e~~aville to Esperance; have you any of his ledgers or store books that will furnish information? Do you know whether the house occupied by him in Min~~e~~aville was owned by him or rented? Do you know when Father opened the store at Min~~e~~aville?

If convenient I presume you will see Delia this week. Love to all.

Yours sincerely,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, Ed.

Enclosure.

July 25, 1905.

Rev. George F. McAfee, D.D.,
Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. McAfee,

In response to yours of June 15th I have replied to Miss Margaret Hughes at Grassy Cove, that she had better stay in your employ. I am always glad to get good teachers from the Board but do not wish to rob the Board of them, as I have probably on an average ten or fifteen applications for every vacancy.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

July 25, 1905.

Mr. Lanier,

Managing Editor Review of Reviews,

15 Astor Place, New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I loan you four additional photographs received from Alaska within the last few days for consideration with regard to the Reindeer article for the Country Calendar, to wit, Per Spein and family; Reindeer Herders' homes; Reindeer herd starting for Copper Centre, and Harnessing Reindeer for travel. Also U. S. Commissioner J. T. Merritt getting ready for a Christmas Visit to the Eaton Reindeer Herd.

I find that there are two Photographers connected with the U. S. Revenue Cutter Service in the East and I think I can get you their addresses later on in this letter. They have traveled with me in the reindeer country and have a number of negatives.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Photo - under

Enclosures. Separate enclosure

July 26, 1905.

Mr. John H. Scott,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir;

Yours of July 10th together with return of appointment and transportation orders is received. I am very sorry that you have been prevented from going, as you were greatly needed in Alaska.

With kind regards to Mrs. Scott I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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S.J.

July 25, 1905.

Rev. R. N. Adams, D.D.,
620 1/2 Nicolet Avenue,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Doctor Adams:

It will give me pleasure to endorse Doctor Cleland as Field Secretary to the Board of Home Missions.

I have known Mr. Cleland since 1869 when he and I started the crusade to take possession of the country west of the Missouri River.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

July 25, 1905.

Mrs. Ella A. Boole,
Secretary W.B.H.M.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Boole:

Yours of July 8th has been patiently waiting for a reply. Mrs. Heizer has notified me that she will remain with the Woman' Board, which is perfectly satisfactory to this office. I have been intending for some weeks to write Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard with regard to the money needed for the repairs of the Mission building at Point Barrow but have been so overwhelmed with work that I have not yet done it. I think it will be a good plan to have one of your clerks drop me a postal ~~stamp~~ Card reminding me of it semi-Monthly and perhaps like the unjust judge I will get so wearied that I will in desperation take the time and write the letter!

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

July 25, 1905.

Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard,
c/o Mrs. William J. Schieffelin, No. 5. East 66th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Shepard:

For twelve years the Mission residence which you erected at Point Barrow has probably been the northernmost mission station on earth and has done good service. The house was originally built about a fourth of a mile from the Ocean shore but terrific storms have within the last few years swept up the coast until great cakes of ice in storms would pound the sides of the house. During the past year the house had to be taken down and removed farther away from the sea for safety. The total expense of the removal and rebuilding the house has been $1,043.

I have thought that possibly you might be in position and would very gladly give the Woman's Board of Home Missions the whole or a large portion of that sum.

The work, as you know, at Point Barrow has been very successful --- over one hundred of these poor Eskimos have been brought to a knowledge of Jesus as a personal Saviour, and if there is any class of people on this broad earth who more need the light and comfort and joy of the Gospel than those far northern Eskimos in their desolate Arctic homes I do not know where they are to be found.

It is so long since I have heard from you that I feel that we are getting to be quite strangers. I often think of you and pray for you and your children and grand children, and hope God will in His good mercy spare you to them and to the Church for many years yet.

The work in Alaska is greatly prospering. I send you the Annual Reports, but if you do not receive them kindly have your daughter let me know and I will send another copy.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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S.J.

July 25, 1905.

Hon. H. J. Woods,
Postmaster General,
St. Johns, New Foundland.

Sir:

Yours of June 3rd has been waiting on my desk for a reply. I have been overwhelmed with work and in the extreme heat half sick. I, however, now take pleasure in sending you a few of our Reindeer Reports.

In the Report for 1903 permit me to call your attention to pages 22 to 31 inclusive. I have no doubt that you would find reindeer more serviceable than dogs for transportation purposes in the northern portion of your Island, as dogs have to be fed daily while reindeer can be turned loose to pasture for themselves.

I have no doubt but that the reindeer would do better work if they were fed just as horses do better ~~to have~~ work on a mixed diet of hay and oats rather than all hay or straw.

If, next winter, you should want to work up a public sentiment in your Parliament to secure an appropriation to give the matter a trial, if my health is spared, I will be very glad to come to St. Johns and give one or two addresses including stereopticon lecture on the value of the reindeer. If I could be of service there would be no charge for my services but would simply wish that my reasonable traveling expenses be met. Any time that I can answer questions on the subject do not fail to write me.

Yours faithfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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July 26, 1905.

Rev. Edgar P. Hill, D. D.,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Doctor Hill:

I have been sent for, to take part in the Indian Congress at Portland August 21st to 26th, and can spend ~~the~~ a Sabbath in Portland either August 20th or 27th.

As you have written me two or three times to let you know when I was passing through Portland I send you this notification. I am not seeking an opportunity to secure extra work, but am willing if any of the brethren in Portland wish it, to give a Missionary address on Alaska in one Church in the morning ~~and another in the evening~~.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

July 26, 1905.

Rev. Edward H. Brown, S. J.,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your kind note of May 20th informing me of the death of the Reverend ~~Elvin~~ Van Gorp, S.J., is received, and should have been answered at once but sickness and accumulated work have delayed my reply.

It is not too late to send me a sketch of the work of the Roman Catholic Church in Alaska. I am so anxious to have a correct account of the work that I am willing to delay the publication of the book to receive it.

I have heard from all the different Protestant Missions and also from the Russian Orthodox Church, and would be very sorry to have the Roman Catholic Church left out in a review of what philanthropic people are trying to do for the natives.

Please let me hear whether I may hope to receive something from you, or from some other Brother of your Church, in the not very distant future.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent, &c.~~

July 26, 1905.

Mr. Albert R. Smiley,
Mohonk Lake,
Ulster Co., New York.

My dear Friend Smiley:

Your brother's letter of July 3d calling attention to the Indian Conference October 18th to 20th is received. I trust that I shall be able to attend the Conference.

My wife's health and dislike of travel are such that she will not be present. If, however, it is not asking too much, I will count it a favor if you can include my daughter, Miss Leslie Jackson in the place of my wife, as my daughters have I am glad to say naturally taken an interest in Indian missions.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

July 26, 1905.

Mr. W. G. Eliot, Jr.,
Secretary Committee on Congresses,
Lewis and Clark Exposition,
Portland, Oregon.

Sir:

The Commissioner of Education has granted permission for me to accept your offer and (D.V.) you may expect me to be present in Portland on the 21st of August.

Do you wish from me a formal paper or merely that I be prepared to take part in the discussions of the Congress on the Indian question?

As the time is short it might be well for you to telegraph me.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

July 26, 1905.

To

The Presbyterian Minister,
Montesano, Washington.

Dear Brother:

Kindly give me private (if so desired and mark it confidential,) information concerning Robert H. Melroy, Jr., who is a resident of your place and I presume a member of your Church.

Mr. Melroy has applied for a position in Alaska and if he is the right kind of a man I can probably help him to a position.

(1) Is he an active working Christian?

(2) Has he good judgment?

(3) Is he an active and pushing man in disposition?

(4) Has he tact in dealing with Indians?

(5) He has applied for one of the Reindeer Stations: Would your judgment and knowledge of him consider him an efficient man for such a place?

Thanking you in advance for your trouble in this matter, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

July 26, 1905.

Miss Kotzie Willard,
Northwestern University Dental School,
Lake & Dearborn Streets, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Kotzie:

In reply to yours of June 15th permit me to call your attention to a book with the following title: "Pacific Coast Pilot, Alaska," Appendix 1, Meteorology and Bibliography, 1879, -- Published by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, Washington, D. C.

You can probably find it in any one of the larger public libraries of Alaska. If the Library of your institution desires to get it I think I could purchase it for you in a second-hand book store in Washington. Possibly you can secure a copy by sending to the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

I will try and enclose you before mailing a list of my Annual Reports on Alaska. If I can be of further service write me.

With regards to your father and family I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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July 26, 1905.

David C. Cook Publishing Company,
36 Washington Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sirs:

At the International Sunday School Convention, Toronto, Canada, I bought and paid for two copies of "Gold Hunting in Alaska", which were to be mailed to me after the Convention.

After waiting a couple of weeks I wrote the Elgin office calling their attention to the fact that I had not received the books. They very promptly mailed me two copies, paper bound, but I had paid for one paper copy and one bound copy. Kindly send me the bound copy.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

July 26, 1905.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D. D.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Doctor Thompson:

Accept thanks for your letter of July 18th containing extracts from the letter of Dr. Myers, and also the letter of Judge J. M. McDowell concerning the natives in Alaska.

I am expected to give an address at the Indian Congress in connection with the Lewis & Clark Exposition at Portland next month on those lines.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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July 27, 1905.

Rev. De Witt Benham,
The Cecil,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Brother:

Yours of July 4th kindly inviting me to be your guest while visiting the C. E. Convention was duly received but I was so situated that I could not come, and indeed was unable to acknowledge your kindness.

I greatly appreciated your courtesy and again thank you.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

July 31, 1905.

Miss R. L. Easby,
2027 G Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Madam:

Your kind invitation of February 20th last to give a Missionary address before your Ladies Society which you know I accepted Feb. 21st, has just come to light. On the day of the meeting I was taken down with pneumonia. I tried to find your address in the telephone book but could not. I was sick in bed and knew no way by which I could communicate with you.

After some weeks detention in the house, returning to the office I could not find your letter in the Bureau among the pile of accumulated correspondence and I have just found it this morning.

I know you must have thought it strange that I disappointed the ladies without communiting to you the cause, but I hope you will excuse it under the circumstances, and please inform the Society of the facts in the case.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

July 31, 1905.

David C. Cook Publishing Company,
Elgin, Illinois.

Sirs:

A bound copy of "Gold Hunting in Alaska" is safely received. Please accept thanks for the same.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

Washington D.C. Augt 5

Dear Dr Woodbury

We will welcome you to Washington. When you arrive let me know & I will gladly give you a half day to hunting a lodging place –

Perhaps you may settle down on the Concord Flats, where I & other Christian workers sojourn. However we will look around when you come I will be out of the City from Aug 12 to Sept 1st.

Kind regards to Mrs W—

Sincerely Yours
Sheldon Jackson

August 8, 190[illegible].

Mr Marion Lawrance

Mr. Marion Lawrance, Secy, International S. S. Union
Secretary International Sunday School Union,
Toledo, Ohio. Toledo - Ohio

Sir: In reply to your recent note concerning the full name and

In reply to your recent note concerning the full name and titles I enclose it as you request.

titles, I enclose it as you request. Very truly yours

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson, D.D. LL.D.

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

Enclosure.

Sheldon Jackson

August [illegible]

Miss M. Leslie Jackson,
[illegible],
East Gloucester, Massachusetts,
My dear Daughter:

I mail you the map of Alaska with the request that you print on it the names of two new [illegible], one is CHENA, and the other FAIRBANKS.

I have indicated their approximate positions on the map by a red cross.

I also enclose you a section of a printed map showing their position. Please put the names on the map and then mail the same to the Bureau of Education with the enclosed penalty slip, which I send you. I want it for use in Portland.

Hoping that you keep well I remain,

Affectionately your father,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, Ed.

Enclosures.

August 4 1905

Mr. W. N. Hartshorne,
120 Boylston St.,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Brother:

In reply to your letter I enclose you a brief historical statement of Sabbath Schools in Alaska, which I hope will answer your purpose. Kindly remember when you print my picture in the report to label it Sheldon Jackson instead of S. Jackson.

Trusting that Mrs. Hartshorn is rapidly regaining her health,

I remain,

Yours for service,

Sheldon Jackson

ALASKA.

The first church to commence work in Alaska was the Russian Orthodox Church, in August, 1794, at Kadiak. During the nineteenth century this Church established congregations and built chapels in every Aleut settlement from Sitka to the western limit of the Aleutian Islands but did not have any Sunday Schools.

The first missionaries to enter Alaska after the transfer of the country to the United States, and establish both Missions and Sunday Schools were the Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,LL.D., and Mrs. Amanda R. McFarland.

The commencement was made at Wrangell August 10, 1877.

The success of Presbyterian Missions in Southeastern Alaska awakened an interest among other denominations and in the order named Missions and Sunday Schools were established by the Presbyterians (1877),Roman Catholics(1878),Moravians (1884, Episcopalians (1886), Baptists (1886), Methodists (1886), Swedish Evangelical Union (1887), Friends (1887), Congregationalists (1890, and Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran (1900).

Wherever the churches opened Mission Stations, they opened Sunday Schools as important adjunctsto their work. With the opening of Protestant Sunday Schools, similar schools were opened at the Missions of the Roman Catholic Church, and also at the more prominent Stations of the Russian Orthodox Church.

In 1885 the United States Bureau of Education commenced the establishment of public schools in Alaska. Wherever a public school existed in a village that had no Mission, and the teacher of the schoo was a Christian (as many of them are), the teacher established and maintained an undenominational Sunday School.

As a rule there is but one Sunday School in a community and some of these are one hundred miles from the nearest school with a wilderness between. The isolation of the Sunday Schools in Alaska has so far prevented the organization of a territorial Sunday School Association just as the isolation of the settlements has prevented the organization of a territorial government.

With the development of the resources of Alaska and the incoming of a larger population, the time will come for the establishment of Sunday School Associations.

Washington, D. C.,

August 5, 1905.

W. G. Elliott, Jr.
Committee on Congresses,
Lewis and Clark Exposition,
Portland, Oregon.

Subject of my address " Natives of Alaska. Their present Condition and Needs."

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

Official ~~Official~~
Collect at Portland

August 5, 1905.

Mrs. E. F. Pomeroy,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Madam:

I expect to spend Sunday, August 20th in Minneapolis and if you are in the city will try and call on you during the day. Will attend Westminster Church in the morning; am en route to Portland, Oregon.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent.~~

August 5, 1905.

Minnesota Loan and Trust Company,
311 Nicolet Avenue,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Sirs:

I expect to spend Monday, August 21st, in Minneapolis and will be glad if one of your Agents at Minneapolis and another at St. Paul, can show me the properties on which my wife or myself have loans.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 5, 1905.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D.D.,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Brother:

I expect to spend from the 21st of August a part or all of that week in Portland and will return East by way of Salt Lake City. You may expect me any timebetween the 26th and 31st of this month. Will write you more definitely from Portland.

I have no special business to warrant calling a meeting of the Trustees of the College but will be glad to meet personally any of them. Please inform Mr. McLean and Mr. Van Pelt.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent.

August 5, 1905.

Miss Elizabeth Norcross,
South Hanover Street,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Niece:

I expect to reach Portland (D.V.) Saturday night the 19th, and remain through part if not all of the following week. Can you give me the name of a moderate priced Hotel, on the European plan, or a private family where I can get a room and take my meals wherever I happen to be.

I am sorry that you will not be in Portland at the time. Hoping that you are having an enjoyable vacation, I remain,

Affectionately yours,

Sheldon Jackson

Give me the address of Dr Wilson
St & number.

August 5, 1905

Mr. W. G. Elliott, Jr.,
Secretary Committee on Congresses,
Lewis & Clark Exposition,
Portland, Oregon.

Sir:

I am making arrangements to reach Portland on Saturday Evening Augusy 19th on the train from Seattle.

My address or paper will be on this theme: "The Natives of Alaska. Their present Condition and Needs."

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

Education Office
Washington Aug 7 5

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Lewis & Clark Exposition
Portland. Or

Telegraph ~~the~~ when date fixed Indian Affairs

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent.

Official.

August 8, 1905.

Rev. Axel E. Karlson,
Unalakleet, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I greatly regret the necessity and the delay of returning the enclosed vouchers for the reindeer. Had you written us the bill on separate paper and then enclosed us a blank signed voucherwe could have worded the bill so that it would have passed the Auditor, but your bill read originally 117 female reindeer at $25. per head less a balance account $104.81, leaving a balance due of $2,820.19. In that form it had no chance of passing the Auditor. He would have at once asked for an itemized statement of sums to balance account and the authority by which they were incurred. We tried to remedy that by changing the sentence "less a balance account". ~~being~~ to" received on the above. And that will not go through, so there is nothing left to do but to return the blank vouchers for you to sign on the last line and return to us; it may help you in the future to get your money months earlier than otherwise. If you will keep us supplied with signed blank vouchers.

We enclose you duplicate vouchers for signature. If there are any payments due any of the herders or others at Unalakleet for last year please write out their bills on common paper . A single copy will be sufficient; specifying dates and for what purpose salary is earned. Then have each of those parties sign two blank vouchers ---if they cannot write their names have them make their mark and have two witnesses sign their names to attest the mark. Leave the vouchers blank except the signatures and from your unofficial bill we will make out the bill here on the official vouchers in proper order for payment.

If there is any way by which we can help you do not fail to write us.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

Enclosures.

Washington D.C. Aug 8 5

Mr H. C. Phillips
Sec Mohonk Ind Conf

Dear Sir

I will be out of the City from 11th to Sept 1st.

Any arrangement you may make of program will be satisfactory to me

Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

Washington DC Aug 8th 5

Dear Dr Roberts

Enclosed find 25 cts for bound Copy of Minutes.

Do not forget to send the Bureau of Education a copy. I send you a slip that will pay postage on Copy for Bureau of Ed

Sincerely Yours

Sheldon Jackson

Enclosed 25 cts

Washington D.C. Aug 8th 5-

Rev John F. Hinkhouse
Sioux City Io

Dear Brother

That appointments may not conflict, I write you that I have important engagements in New York Oct 17th to 20th inclusive.

Enclose you copy of letter from the Lady who wrote a Monograph on the Hay-stack Monument of For Missions. I notice that large rough boulders are taking the place of shafts for Memorial Stones.

When date of meeting is definitity fixed at Sioux City, give me early notice

Yours for Common work
Sheldon Jackson

Enclosure

(C O P Y.)

130 N. Duke Street, Lancaster, Pa.

Jan. 31, 1905.

My dear Dr. Jackson.

In answer to your request that I make some suggestion for design of monument which may be reaised to commemorate the beginning of Home Missions in the great West, I would say that I have thought much and often, and now ask you to consider among many other suggestions you probably have had and will have, a shaft of granite for nothing is more sightly, dignified and to be seen at greater distance I think there should be three portrait figures kneeling and in the attitude of prayer of yourself, Thomas H. Cleland Jr., and J. C. Elliott. These figures should be facing the setting sun carved on the monument and literally and the most prominent motto

"OUR LAND FOR CHRIST."

A Detailed history in brief of the action of the Presbyteries with dates, etc.

I would so love to have a hand in this great work -- even the hand of suggestion.

I have been greatly interested in Guy Carleton Lee's lecture this winter on Oregon. Alaska, Texas and the Mexican Sessions. He gives due credit to the Home Missionary although his lectures are secular.

With fondest hope that your plan for a Monument will be realized.

Yours cordially,

(Mrs. Howard) Marion Eckert,

August 9, 1905.

Mrs. E. F. Pomeroy,
Minneapolis,
Minnesota.

Dear Mrs. Pomeroy:

I wrote you some days ago that I hoped to spend next Sabbath at Minneapolis but now find that the pressure of public business is such I will not be able to do so, which I greatly regret.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 9, 1905.

Minnesota Loan & Trust Co.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sirs:

Some days ago I wrote you that I would be in Minneapolis on Monday, the 14th and would like to have your Agent show me the properties which my wife and myself are interested in. I find that I can not reach Minneapolis on the 14th, but now expect to reach there on the morning of the 16th and will come directly to your office. If it is convenient for one of the clerks or agents to show me around Minneapolis and St. Paul I will be much obliged.

I go West to Portland on the Canadian Pacific the morning of the 17thinstant, consequently will only have Wednesday for the two cities.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent.

August 10, 1905.

President Lowell M. McAfee,
Parkville, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Please hand the enclosed letters to Miss Anne Ashby, whose name you sent me without address.

Miss Anna Serena Brown who was under appointment to Saxman has, on account of sickness, has been compelled to decline. This makes an opening for Miss Ashby.

I am detailed to attend a Congress of Indian Affairs in connection with the Lewis and Clark Exposition, and on my return East hope to spend a day with you at Park, probably reaching Parkville between the 1st and 5th of September.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 10, 1905.

Mrs. William Tamaree,
Wrangell, Alaska.

Dear Friend:

Your letter of July 24th is received and I am much obliged for the letter. It has been read with much interest by Mrs. Jackson as well as myself. We feel a very deep interest in the Church and in the work in which you are engaged.

Mrs. Jackson and my daughter send love.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 10, 1905.

Mr. W. G. Elliott, Jr.,
Secretary Committee of Congresses,
Lewis & Clark Exposition,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

From your recent letter I take it that the General Conference on Indian Affairs will be the last of the week ending August 26, and consequently as we are exceedingly busy at this Office have delayed my departure until Monday, the 14th instant.

I hope to arrive at Portland on the evening of the 21st or certainly during the 22nd.

This morning I received the following telegram: "General Conference Indian Affairs Saturday, August 21st following Institute". As Monday is the 21st and the Institute runs from the 21st to the 26th I assume that you meant General Conference Saturday, August 26th, the last day of the Institute and will govern my movements accordingly, reaching Portland probably August 22nd.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 11, 1905.

The Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sirs:

Please reserve a lower berth on Pullman car from Chicago to Minneapolis on train leaving Chicago Tuesday afternoon, 6 P. M. (Aug 15) The B. & O. R.R. Agent, Washington, D. C., has promised to telegraph you to reserve me a berth, but to make sure of it I thought best to also write you.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

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August 11, 1905.

Mr. E. A. Merrill,
Minnesota Loan & Trust Co.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Sirs:

Your letter of August 7th with the kind invitation of Mrs. Merrill and yourself to spend Monday night at Lake Minnetonka is received. If it is just as convenient I will spend Wednesday night, August 16th, with you, and will reach Minneapolis on the Chicago & Northwestern train on Wednesday morning.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

C O P Y.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
WASHINGTON.

August 12, 1903.

Messrs. Hasslacher & Knight,
Shakan, Alaska.

Sirs:

I am in receipt, by reference from the Commissioner of Education of your proposition of the 27th ultimo addressed to Mr. Fred Chase, United States agent in charge of the teacher's residence at Shakan, Alaska, offering to finish the rooms of the second floor of the teacher's residence at that place now being constructed by you, and also banisters, posts, and railings around the stair well, and to varnish and finish such rooms in the same manner as the rooms on the first floor, for the sum of three hundred and fifty-five ($355) dollars.

In response thereto, I have to state that upon examination of the plans, taken in consideration with the specifications, both of which are made a part of the contract entered into by you with the Department for such work, it appears that ample provision was made for the work and material above referred to.

Your attention is invited to paragraph 5 of the general conditions embraced in the specifications, upon which your proposal to perform the work was based.

"3. The drawings and these specifications shall be considered as cooperative, and work or material called for by the one and not mentioned in the other is to be done or furnished in as faithful and thorough a manner as though fully treated of by both.

It is intended that the drawings and specifications shall include everything requisite and necessary to the proper and entire finishing of the building, notwithstanding every item necessarily involved by the work is not particularly mentioned, and all work when finished is to be delivered in a perfect and undamaged state."

The Department will insist upon a strict compliance with the plans and specifications as indicated above.

Very respectfully,

(signed) Thos. . Ryan,

Acting Secretary.

Through the

Commissioner of Education.

P. & M.

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August 14, 1905

Mr. Wm. A. Kelly,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of August 1st? enclosing $5.00 for photographs is received. I will take pleasure in sending the money to the Photographer, and ask him to mail the photographs to you direct at Sitka.

I leave to-night for Portland, Oregon, to attend the Indian Conference. A telegram previous to August 26th,(Care of H. C. Boykin, Government Building, Portland,Ore.) will reach me. I will probably leave Portland August 28th on my return to Washington.

I trust that the Secretary will allow Governor Brady also to attend the Indian Conference as they have made application for his presence. The Thlinget Grammar will be sent to the parties named by you.

I sent the decision of the Secretary of the Interior requiring the contractors for the teacher's residence at Klawock and at Shakan to ceil, paint, and finish off the second floor the same as the first floor at the expense of the contractors, If it is not done in a suitable way do not accept the building from the contractors hands. It is very queer that Messrs. Hasslocher & Knight are the only ones among the different contractors that are quibbling over the plans and specifications.

Enclose decision
of Secretary

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 14, 1905.

Mr. A. P. Fitt,
Secretary of Moody Bible Institute,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Brother:

Your Circular of August 10th is received and I am very glad for the news of the prosperity of the Institute, and join with you in prayer that the coming winter may not only be one of unusual success at the Institute but all over the great city where you live.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 14, 1905.

Mr. M. Healy Wolf,
Park College,
Parkville, Missouri.

My dear Boy:

I leave tonight for Portland, Oregon, and on my return expect to give you a short visit at Parkville. It is possible that I may be at Park the first Sunday in September but can not now say definitely.

Affectionately yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 14, 1905.

Rev. Edgar P. Hill, D.D.,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Brother:

Your letter of recent date is received and it will give me much pleasure to address your people on Sunday morning, August 27th, in accordance with your gracious invitation.

Hoping to reach Portland on Tuesday or Wednesday I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

August 14, 1905.

Rev. T. S. Childs, D.D.,

Chevy Chase, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have read with much interest "What is the Church?" and agree with you in your views. I enjoyed the article so much that I return the paper that some one else may have the pleasure of reading it.

I leave this afternoon for Portland, Oregon.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

L.E.C.

Sept. 7, 1905.

Mrs. E. W. Ten Eyck,
Cazenovia, N. Y.

Madam:

Your postal of September 3, was awaiting my return to the city. The box of magazines of books etc., was received in safety and immediately mailed to Alaska.

Mrs. Jackson would join me in kind rememberances if she knew I was writing.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept. 7, 1905.

Rev. R. L. Stewart,
Lincoln University,
Chester Co., Pa.

Dear Sir:

Yours of August 22, was awaiting my return from Portland, Oregon. In reply permit me to say that grandfather Sheldon, after graduating at Yale University, removed to Charlestown, Montgomery County, N. Y., where he spent his life and died.

The date of graduation from New York College of Physicians & Surgeons in 1812, I took from an official book published by the state of New York, giving an abstract of the life of each of the members of the state legislature; and I suppose it must be correct, however, it may have been a misprint. I do not know of any way by which it can be verified.* If 1812 is correct it seems as if he must have about finished his political life when he entered the work of a physician. It would seem more natural, however, that he would become a physician shortly after leaving college.

I have given you the figures as published; I do not know of any one living who can help us settle this particular question.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

* Unless the records of "N.Y. Coll of Physicians & Surgeons" shows the date. I will write them

Washington D.C.

Sept 9th 5–

Rev W. O. Ruston D.D.
24 W. Locust St. Dubuque Io

Dear Bro

Your kind invitation to make an address at Miss Meeting of Synod of Iowa is accepted on following Conditions that I am so placed in the program that I can Commence my address at not ~~latter~~ later than 8.30 in the Evening & that I be allowed 3/4 of an hour if I should need it.

I can not afford the time to come to C.R. And be shut off on half an hour or be one of four Speakers at the same evening or at the end of two other Speakers, taking the platform, when the Congregation is ~~are~~ tired out & the people leaving the Church to catch their trains.

This overcrowding a meeting has occurred so often in my experience, that I am through with it.

I had felt until the reception of

your letter that I would be unable to attend
But if I can be of special service to the Prospect Hill Tablet Matter & also to the H. M. Mass Meeting, I will cancel an important engagement in New York State on the same date & come to the Synod.

If the above terms are satisfactory, please telegraph me. "Bureau of Education "Washington D.C."

Praying that your Synodical Meeting may have a great blessing. I remain

Sincerely yours

Sheldon Jackson

9182 L.E.C.

Sept. 11, 1905.

Rev. Edward H. Brown, S. J.,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of August 17th, enclosing a paper on " Catholic Churches in Alaska", is received, with many thanks.

It is an important historical statement, that it will give me pleasure to give to the world. It has been received in abundant time. As I can only write at odd times, when off duty, the preparation of my history of church work in Alaska, goes very slow, and it may be a couple of years yet, before it is printed.

If by any chance I fail to send you a complimentary copy, when you see it is in print, drop me a postal to send it to you.

Again thanking you, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept. 11, 1905.

Mrs. Ella A. Boole,
Woman's Home Missions,
156, 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Madam:

Enclosed find card which tells it own story. I am very sorry that I failed to secure the funds for the new Mission building at Barrow.

Trusting that you are well and the work prospering, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

Enclosure.

L.E.C.

Sept. 11, 1905.

Rev. J. F. Hinkhouse,
Sioux City,
Iowa.

Dear Brother:

Yours of August 22nd is received, also one from Dr. Ruston wanting me to speak at Synod on Home Missions. I have replied to him, that while I am very busy and have another important appointment for the same day, yet if he will not cut off my address too short, and will place me on the program at the beginning of the evening, before the audience is tired out, I will cancel my other engagement and go to Synod on October 18th.

When I hear from him I will write you again.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept. 11, 1905.

Mr. John Willis Baer,
Presbyterian Building,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Brother:

Your note with regard to Alaska was on my desk awaiting my return from Portland, Oregon, whither I was sent on Government business.

I do not expect to go to Alaska before next spring, and even then it will depend upon the state of my health. But if you can go this fall or next season, let me know and I will map out an itinerary for you.

Have you a copy of the 1904 map? A number have been sent to the Woman's Board.

Hoping you may be able to visit Alaska, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept. 12, 1905.

Rev. U. Franklin Smiley,
Cedar Rapids,
Iowa.

Rev. & dear Sir:

Your telegram of yesterday is received and you may expect me (D. V.) at the meeting of Synod, as Dr. Rustian requests.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept. 12, 1905.

Mr. H. C. Phillips,
Secretary of Lake Mohonk Conference,
Lake Mohonk, Ulster Co.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

Yours of September 9th is received. I regret to say that important church business will require my presence in Iowa on October 18th, and will prevent my attendance at the Conference. I am sorry to thus miss the Conference, as it is a very critical time in the Alaska work for the natives, and I need the counsel and assistance of those who gather at Mr. Smiley's hospitable board.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

Washington [illegible]

Dear Mother Lo[illegible]

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was awaiting my return [illegible]
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His Company.

L.E.C.

Sept. 15, 1905.

Rev. W. O. Ruston, D. D.,
24 West Locust Street,
Dubuque, Iowa.

My dear Dr. Ruston:

Yours of September 11, concerning expense is received. I never charge for missionary addresses, but usually expect to have my traveling expenses paid; however, in this particular case whatever traveling expenses the Synod see fit to pay me, I am willing to turn over to the Synodical Memorial Tablet Committee, as a contribution towards the work.

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept. 16, 1905.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D. D.,
Secretary Board of Home Missions,
156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Thompson:

I have been invited to give a missionary address before the Synod of Iowa on Wednesday evening, October 18th.

If there are any points that the Board would like to have me emphasize before that Synod, please give me the data. I can also, if desired, call at McCormick Seminary, and also at Western Seminary at Allegheny, and try to influence some of the senior classes to apply for work next summer in Alaska.

Do I understand that you wish a minister for Wrangell and Hoonah? Is there any other place? How about Haines? Will you probably commission, next year, Law at Kasaan?

Please write me of any service that I can be to you in any of the above lines.

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

COPY. L.R.C.

Iliamna,
Iliamna Bay, Cook's Inlet; Alaska.
Aug. 10, 1905.

Hon. Wm. T. Harris,
Commissioner of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Partly of my own violation and partly at the request and as the result of several conversations during the past six months with Mr. Hedley Redmyer, Supt. of the Reindeer , now located upon the west side of Iliamna Lake, I desire to express my views of the necessity of the natives of this part of Alaska, receiving attention from the Government on lines of education.

I will first state that I have been a resident of Alaska since 1897, and the past four years in the immediate vicinity, and am now located in the trading business. upon Iliamna Lake and have boats and houses and cache upon both Iliamna and Clark Lakes.

I simply mention these facts for the purpose of showing that I am thoroughly conversant with the country, the natives and their situation.

The villages on the Iliamna Lake watersheds from which children could be brought to a school upon Iliamna Lake are respectively the Kenai native villages of Iliamna and Noondalting and the Aleut village of Chicok, Kolonak, Kaskonak and Wogheling, with a total population of about 350.

With no desire to be extreme in my expressions, I feel obliged to say, that the entire neglect and lack of attention to the wants of these - for Alaska - a large number of inhabitants can only be excused upon grounds of ignorance. Knowing these people as I do, with their honesty and best of morals and their extreme ignorance of all that is elementary, even to the children in the states quite independent of schools and that their curiosity and desire for the knowledge unless properly directed, is apt to do them more harm than good, it indeed seems as though , the situation demands work and expenditure of money on the part of your Department of the Bureau of Education.

In corroboration of the reliability of my views and statements of facts from a personal standpoint, I would beg to refer you to such Govt. officials as Mr. Osgood (Dept. Agriculture) Mr. Gorman (Botanist), M[illegible] Mundahlhall and Schroder (Geologist) and any of the officers of the Army Exploration parties of 1898 in Cook's Inlet or Copper river countries.

Respectfully,

C. T. Brooks.

COPY.

L.R.C.

Iliamna Bay, Alaska,
August 11, 1905.

Hon. William T. Harris,
Commissioner of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I made my final report about our journey with the reindeer herd from Bethel, Koskoquim, also sent my log book, which showed the reason why we did not succeed in getting to our destination. This report was made as early or as soon as I had desired to stay over this summer, namely the later part of March. I heard afterward the mail was delayed until the 12th of May on account of no steamer calling in to Iliamna Bay Alaska. In that report which was addressed to the Commissioner of Education. I called the attention to the fact, that I thought it would be advisable for the Government to send a man to Copper Center or in vicinity of the same place, who fully was familiar with the reindeer and its habits to locate a place or to see if that country is adapted for a reindeer country as I was nearest to the place, and also saw that I could leave the herd with the herder a couple months, I asked the permission to go and ahve an investigation of the country, but no order or answer of any kind have yet come in. About a month afterward I sent another letter telling about the good reindeer pasture we have here. It is true that the north side of Iliamna Lake, is one, if not the finest reindeer country in Alaska, and I do not see any reason why it could not be established a reindeer station here, as anywhere else.

If the Government wanted to establish a station in the south-eastern part of Alaska, after being properly informed of the condition of that locality the people who have experience in herding reindeer, a place could be selected and a herd of one or two hundred deer could be taken from this herd and sent over there in a year from now.

Enclosed you will find a map showing the locality where the reindeer herd are now, and also the place where I would suggest a station could be erected, also a school-house for the natives. There is not a place in whole Alaska where the natives are left so entirely to their own ignorance as they are here. Here are six villages at different places around Lake Iliamna, which is, Kaskanak, Wagheling Noondalting, Chicok, Iliamna, Kaganak. I visited every village, but I could not give a correct number of the population. The census of 1900, would show something near it, but I would give it as follows: Kaskanak with 60 inhabitants; Wagheling 35, Noondalting 60, Chicok 18, Iliamna 110, Kaganak 75. The total population would thus be 358 or more. The children of these villages could easily attend to one school, established at Wagheling village. They could be clothed, fed and sheltered about the same way as the native children are at Bethel school Koskokwim. Children attent to that school from as far as one hundred miles from the school, of course there they have a training school, which I think would be a benefit to these people also.

As to the knowledge they have received through their Russian priest is very little. They know there is a Russian country and that the Czar is next to God. They don't know anything else. Most of them cannot speak a word of English.

Enclosed you will find a letter from a trader, Mr. Brooks, who who has lived in the country among them.

Hoping to hear from you very soon, I remain,

Yours truly,

Hedley E. Redmyer,

Supt. for Government Reindeer Herd,

Iliamna Bay, Alaska.

COPY. L.E.C.

Iliamna Bay,

Aug. 15, 1905.

Hon. William T. Harris,

Commissioner of Education,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a contract or agreement made by the two herders Mr. Karbum and Mr. Wouri for two months from June 1st, to August 1st, 1905.

They insisted upon having an agreement made, which I consented to. The reason why I did not send it in before, I thought of receiving some mail or some information from the Commissioner at Washington, D. C. I send them now, as I am going back to the reindeer camp about 75 miles from here. Please make out their vouchers and have them sent, so they can sign it, that is Mr. Karbum and Mr. Wouri, also Mr. Peter J. Hatta, who have not had any vouchers sent to be signed by him and consequently have not received any pay since he was hired in August 1904. I am expecting the families of Mr. Karbum from Bethel, Koskoquim and will take them to the reindeer camp where Mr. Karbum is.

I am in hopes that you will let us stay here and that we won't have to travel over the mountain next winter. The family of Mr. Karbum have had no chance to stay together and if we have to start again, they will have to be separated again for another winter. The family will then have to be sent to Valdez where there will be nobody to receive them and to take care of them until they can join Mr. Karbum.

Yours very truly,

Hedley Redmyer,

Supt. for Gov't Reindeer

Iliamna, Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept. 18, 1905.

Mr. William A. Kelly,
Manager, Alaska Exhibit,
Lewis & Clark Exposition,
Portland, Ore.

Dear Sir:

I send you confidentially, copy of a letter from Mr. Jones, that explains the situation.

When you are free at Portland, I wish you would look into it. It is possible that you have acquaintances at Juneau, that you have sufficient confidence in to draw them out and get the current feeling in Juneau about the integrity of the District Attorney, and his willingness to do his level best in the interest of the Government. Perhaps you can do this without letting them know that you have been given any hint concerning the alleged conditions.

As soon as you can close your duties at Portland this fall, I hope you will hasten back to Alaska.

Both teachers appointed for Saxman have resigned. Miss Gillespie, who was refused the school room at Juneau, has gone to Tee Harbor to teach, until court meets.

I agree with you in the desirability of putting a married teacher at Hoonah, but our funds at present will not warrant such a course. Under the circumstances shall we reappoint Mrs. Ross? Telegraph me on this point.

Enclosure)

Sincerely yours, Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

Confidential

Sept. 18, 1905.

Gov. John G. Brady,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Governor:

I send you confidentially a letter received from Mr. Jones of Juneau, concerning the lot reserved by the Government for a native school at Juneau, Alaska, which was jumped by Mr. & Mrs. Anderson some months ago; after having been used as a Government reserve and school for years.

The Attorney General has directed the United States District Attorney at Juneau, to dispossess Mr. and Mrs. Anderson. A few weeks ago the Government sent Miss Gillispie to teach the school at Juneau and the Andersons refused her admittance at the school-house The District Attorney is apparently doing nothing, under the plea that the court does not meet until December. The impression, which you will see by the enclosed letter, is, that he is in collusion with the Andersons and may quietly sacrifice the Government interests. Without letting any one know that Mr. Jones' letter is in existence, I wish you would make some quiet inquiries along this line, and see how far the District Attorney is ready to betray the Government.

The object of sending this letter, is to give you a clue, or a hint which may enable you to protect Government interests.

Do not give Mr. Jones away in this matter.

Very sincerely,

Sheldon Jackson

Gen'l Agent &c.

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(COPY)

Juneau, Alaska, Sept. 7, 1905.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

To-day I sent you a telegram now I write you concerning the Anderson seizure of our Government property here, which is no more nor less than a high handed outrage. Our town is highly indignant over it and condemn it all but some of the Government officials who seem supremely indifferent, or rather worse, seem to encourage the woman in her act of robbery.

Now what follows is the talk of the best business men of our town. I give you this confidentially and as a clew or key to the situation. And this talk would seem to be just reason for the Government to sift the matter to the bottom and bring every one to justice who is any way has a hand in this steal. This then is the talk, that the District Attorney and the Land Office are encouraging Mrs. Anderson in her action. These facts are indisputable, that they have done nothing all these months since Mrs. Anderson jumped the property to protect the Government. They aided her to information about the property before jumping it. One family of the Land Office and the District Attorney and wife are her warmest friends -- even bosom friends in this town; that the Dist. Attorney admitted to me to-day that he knew of this seven months ago. As that is longer than she has been in possession he must have alluded to her intentions to jump the property. If so why did not he act? Paid by the Government to protect its interests what has he been doing all these months? Furthermore the Assistant District Attorney -- Mr. Lyons -- before Mrs. Anderson jumped the property has resigned since she jumped it and is now her attorney in the case. She told me this herself when I was rounding her up for her actions. In that conversation which I had with her she informed me with a triumphant air that she had backing. Not using just that word but meaning it just the same. Certainly it looks bad when Government officers employed to look after its interests will sit and see Government property stolen within sight of the Court House in which they live day by day and not raise a voice in protest. Our fellow citizens are ~~authorized~~ outraged and say the Government needs to make a thorough investigation of this matter. When I approached t the District Attorney to-day he seemed to think the matter of such slight importance as not to give it his attention at once.

Prof. Kelly ought to be informed of the situation at once and the friends of the Government and education get to work.

With best wishes I am,

Cordially yours,

(signed)

P. S.

I kindly ask you to protect me in this matter.

L.E.C.

Sept. 20, 1905.

Mr. Albert K. Smiley,
Lake Mohonk,
Ulster County,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Smiley:

Your kind invitation to attend the Indian Conference is received with many thanks.

That conference is the one event of the year that I look forward to with special pleasure; consequently my disappointment is very great that I shall be unable to attend this year. ~~but~~ Pressing church business requires me to be in Central Iowa the same week and will prevent my attendance at Mohonk Lake.

With kind greetings to your wife and your brother and family, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

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L.E.C.

Sept. 23, 1905.

Rev. U. Franklin Smiley, D. D.,
1430 4th Avenue,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

My dear Dr. Smiley:

Your letter of September 19th is received.

In accordance with your request I send you a photograph for the "Evening Gazette". Please ask them to return the photograph when through with it. Also for the "Gazette" a notice of some of the leading events of my mission work.

I expect to leave Chicago on the Northwestern R. R., on Tuesday Oct. 17th, night at 11 o'clock P.M., which reaches Cedar Rapids about 6 A.M. the next morning. As it is too early to have any one meet me, if you will kindly send me the place, street and number, where I am to stop, I will take a cab from the depot. Of course I will be in the city during Wednesday and if the work at this Office is not too pressing, will probably remain during Thursday.

If convenient and they wish it, I will be glad to have an informal conference with the Memorial Tablet Committee. I will be very glad to say something that will help the H. M. work in Iowa, especially as Dr. Fhraner is to speak of the work of the H. M. Board at large. Kindly send me some points concerning the H. M. work in

Iowa, that you would like emphasized, for while in a general way I have kept track of your progress in the State, yet I am not sufficiently acquainted with the conditions to know what to emphasize, and will necessarily require to depend upon you to indicate the points.

My general address will have a bearing on the interest of the tablet.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

Sept.,25, 1905.

Faculty of McCormick Theological Seminary,
1060 N. Halsted, Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Brethren:

I expect to arrive in Chicago about six o'clock P. M., on Oct., 17th, and leave at eleven o'clock P. M., the same night for the Synod of Iowa at Des Moines. If it will be a convenient hour and the faculty approve of it, I will be very glad to address your students on mission work in Alaska; with the hope that two of your present senior class may be led to offer themselves to the Board of Missions, to be sent to Alaska next summer. I would suggest the hour as half past seven or eight P. M. If such a meeting on that evening be considered advisable, please notify me of the fact. My address, is the Concord Flats, Washington, D. C.

Hoping that you are opening this fall with full classes, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

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S.J.

September 25, 1905.

Mr. William A. Kelly,
District of Alaska Exhibit,
Exposition Grounds, Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

I enclose you copy of papers relating to the Juneau school land The communication from mr. Jones is simply for your own information; you will, of course, not give him away but it is a hint in the direction to make your inquiries and to exert your influence.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent.

Enclosures.

L.E.C.

Sept. 25, 1905.

Mr. Harry E. Heller,
Agent of C. B. & Q. R. R.,
836 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Yours of September 6th, No. 7213, concerning transportation of Miss Ashby is received.

It would have given us much pleasure to have routed her over your line from St. Joseph to Seattle, but unfortunately the lady has changed her mind and will not go. It always gives me pleasure to send people over your line, as I have travelled on it much myself and know its good qualities.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

September 25, 1905.

Mr. William Hamilton,
C/o S. Foster & Co.,
26 California Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

Your August salary has been sent to San Francisco, as you request. Inquiries are being made for you at the George Washington University. I hope that you will not turn aside for anything other than important Alaska business, as the work in this office is blocked; the present force cannot dispose of it. We have had frequest details of others to our help. One day Dr. Harris had Miss Smith and three men down in our room.

The Churchhill investigation, and the Keep Commission, which is investigating all of the Departments, is making much extra work.

I hope you are in good health . Mr. Shields, Mrs. Condron and Mrs. Miller all join in kind remembrances. Hurry!!

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

L.E.C.

Sept. 26, 1905.

Mr. George W. Evans,
Disbursing Clerk,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

With regard to voucher No. 93 to Miss A. G. Curtis, teacher at Wood Island, Alaska, $70.00 , suspended, permit me to say that Miss Curtis is the Government school teacher at that place. She receives payment of her salary in a check from your Office. There is not a bank from which she can get money in exchange of her check within a hundred miles. In a neighboring town six0 miles distant by sea, there is a store of the Northern Commercial Co., and it is the only place that it is possible for her to get her check changed into money with which to pay her board bill or purchase supplies at the store.

The same conditions exist in a number of other cases in northern Alaska, where checks are of no account whatever, unless the teacher can assign them to the only store-keeper that is within reach. He accepts the check which they receive from the Government and gives them the face value in cash or if they wish it he gives them part cash and part trade, just as they wish.

In order to enable our teachers to get money for their daily expenses, it has been a necessity to avail ourselves of this method of assigning the check received of the Disbursing Office to the storekeeper, thus changing the check into money which they can use.

This same condition is true of voucher 120, Nathaniel Wentworth for services as carpenter at Kotzebue, salary $85.00. Mr Wentworth got his check cashed by the missionary , who was the only man for fifty miles around that had money sufficient to cash a check and the check was sent by the missionary to the missionary society at Los Angeles, Cal. As in the other cases this was the only way that the check was of any service whatever.

I trust that the Auditor will see the reasonableness of these changes under existing conditions in the inaccessible portions of Alaska.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

September 26,1905.

Mrs. Clinton B. Fiske, Sr.,
175 West 58th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Fiske;

How thankful I am that you were not killed in the wreck! It does seem to us that we cannot spare you yet from your work on earth. We need your interest in the mission work in Alaska and through all this broad land.

I trust that the Lord will fully restore you to your usual health and strength and give you many, many days yet of honored service. Your many friends are praying for you that you may be comforted in your sorrow.

I also sympathize with you deeply in your anxiety with regard to your son. May the Lord shelter him and speedily restore him to his home.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

September 26,1905.

Supt. S. M. McGowan,
Indian School,
Chilocco, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I want to thank you for the complimentary copies you are sending me of the School Journal. I find it the fullest, most instructive and best edited Indian School Magazine that comes to my desk.

I have had considerable experience myself in publishing papers and do not see how you can afford such a magazine for such a price. I am delighted at the valuable historical article that you give us from time to time.

Trusting that you have a full school and everything moving smoothly with you, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

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S.J.

September 26,1905.

Miss Annie Ashby,

Parkville, Missouri.

Madam:

I enclose you a couple of stamps which you forwarded to this office and which I neglected to return to you at the time.

In writing to the Government on Government business it is not necessary to enclose stamps.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

2 P.O.Stamps enclosed.

September 26, 1905.

Mr. H. C. Olin,
Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

My dear Mr. Olin:

I send you a copy of the enclosed letter from Mr. Arch R. Law concerning the jumping of the Board's land at Juneau. If convenient I wish you would have a copy of the plat of the Board's land and of the same plat containing the Government school land at Jackson, I wish you would have them made and sent me. You will also notice what is said about repairs necessary to the Mission building.

Hoping you come back from your summer vacation feeling O. K. I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

Enclosure.

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For Mr H. C. Olin c

Jackson, Alaska.

August 13, 1905.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

We are on our field of labor and have gotten fairly started for our work. The site is quite brushy and we had quite a time getting the foundation in. We are building on the north side of town near the cove. It will be a pretty site but it will need a good cleaning up around the school -house. I may not have funds enough to clear the site around the building . Mr. Montgomery tells me that there was a school house site surveyed by the government and that it is on the Mission plat. Both the mission site and Government site are surveyed and the Home Board have the plat on file. Both sites have been jumped and there is a house on the Government site just in front of the school-house . It is on our playground. I wish you might investigate the matter at once and learn if the Government have the school site recorded. If so steps should be taken at once to make them move the house as the man was warned against locating on the school-site. You should write the Board at once to take steps to hold their site and they should give Mr. Montgomery authority to act in any matter regarding their site . It would be well for the Mission to surrender their part of the town [illegible] around the cove, that is on the north side as the natives [illegible] need it for building purposes . Anyway it would well for [illegible] the matter with Mr. Montgomery and they [illegible] as the government should protect their sites already located. The mission has enough land where the buildings are that they could allow the natives to occupy the part near the town site for homes. I want that house moved from the school site in case you have a title to this land if not we should file on it at once. I would like to have a plat of the ground. It is going to cost us more than we had figured to get our foundation in as it is a costly place to build. We have our lumber partly here and part to come this week.

The mission house here should be repaired at once new chimneys are needed and some general repair work. Mr. Montgomery can attend to the same if he had instructions to that effect.

It is now a matter of danger to occupy the house as the flues are in bad condition.

What has been done in regard to the Kasaan school building site? I took up the Klinguan matter as soon as I returned. Will report soon as to the bill of sale. Did you send me Sec. Hitchcock letter telling just what kind of a bill of sale was desired?

Miss MacLean should come to Wrangell to get to Jackson and she needs to bring bed beddings and furnishings for her room. She can get board with Mr. Montgomery in case she so desires. I wish you might reach her by letter or wire as I do not know her present address. She can buy anything she needs for furnishing in Wrangell. a good mail boat come to Jackson each Wednesday leaving Wrangell Monday.

Please excuse this variety of paper as I am in camp now and no paper to be had.

Veru sincerely yours,

(Signed) Arch R. Law

September 26, 1905

Miss S. F. Lincoln,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Lincoln:

I am preparing an address on Missions for the Synod of Iowa. You will remember that it was while in attendance on that Synod advocating the organization of the Woman's Home Mission Society that I so offended Dr. Gray of the Interior that for years afterwards he let no occasion slip of saying some mean biting thing concerning me or my work.

In my address I want to allude to what the Woman's Board has accomplished, at least in the way of raising money; and therefore will be very much obliged if you will send me the total amount received by the Woman's Board during its existence.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

September 26,1905.

Mr. Albert K. Smiley,
Mohonk Lake, Ulster County,
New York.

Dear Friend:

If your quota for the Indian Conference is not overfull permit me to ask for an invitation for Mrs. Elsie Eaton Newton, Concord Flats Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Newton is the daughter of our mutual friend General John Eaton, who, previous to his affliction was regularly at your Conference. She has served in the Indian Service among Navajoes and Pimas of Arizona and is both deeply interested and has had personal experience in the Indian work. Last spring she was specially detailed to investigate the clothing supplies in New York City for the Indian Board~~s~~ing school~~s~~ in the West. She is a charming young woman whose acquaintance you will be glad to make.

Again regretting my own inability to be present I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

September 27, 1905

Rev. Thomas C. Kirkwood, D.D.,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Dr. Kirkwood:

I am preparing a historical address for the Synod of Iowa and would thank you very much to send me the date of the organization of each of the five Presbyteries in the Synod of Colorado.

An early reply will be acceptable. I shall send a short historical article or reminiscences for the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Presbytery of Pueblo.

Trusting you are in good health I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent~~.

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September 26, 1905.

Rev. George Edwards,
1107 Fifth Avenue,
Great Falls, Montana.

Dear Brother:

I am preparding a historical address for the Synod of Iowa. Kindly send me the date of the organization of the Synod of Montana, and also the date of organization of each of its three Presbyteries. An early reply will be greatly appreciated.

Trusting that your usual success is following your work in Montana, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent~~.

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September 27,1905.

Rev. Charles E. Lukens, M.D.,
Roswell, New Mexico,

Dear Sir:

I am preparing an historical address for the Synod of Iowa and will greatly appreciate it if you will send me the date of the organization of each of ~~the~~ the three Presbyteries of your Synod. An early reply will be thankfully received. Also date of organization of Synod of N Mex.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

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September 27,1905

Mr. H. A. Jacobson,
Office of "The Moravian",
Bethlehem, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please mail me six copies of the Moravian for September 20th, together with bill for the same. I enclose a penalty slip which will pay postage on the papers.

I wish the article on Arctic Alaska, for distribution. Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U.S.General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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September 27, 1905

Rev. John Taylor Baird, D.D.,
Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Dear Dr. Baird:

I am preparing a historical address for the Synod of Iowa and greatly desire the date of the erection or starting of each of the six Presbyteries embraced in the Synod of Nebraska.

An early reply will be highly appreciated.

I never see your name in print that it does not recall pleasant memories of our acquintanceship in 1869.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
~~General Agent~~.

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September 27, 1905.

Rev. David A. Clemens,
Caldwell, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I am preparing an historical address for the Synod of Iowa, and will greatly appreciate it if you will send me the date of the organization of each of the three Presbyteries of Idaho.

An early reply will be gratefully received.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent~~.

September 27,1905.

Rev. James W. Countermine, D.D.,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Brother:

I am preparing an historical address for the Synod of Iowa and will greatly appreciate it, if you will send me at an early period the date of the organization of the Presbytery of Sioux City.

With kind regards to your family, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General~~ Agent.

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September 27,1905.

Rev. Aaron E. Kiser,

Malvern P. O., Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Please send me as early as possible the date of the organization of the Presbytery of Corning, and greatly oblige,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

Enclosure

L.E.C.

Sept. 27, 1905.

Mr. William A. Davis,
R. F. D. No. 3, Fort Wayne,
Indiana.

Dear Mr. Davis:

Yours of September 9th is received. I will try and remember yourself and wife next spring when we are looking out for teachers, however, I do not now know of any school that I will have at that time that requires two teachers. I am so pressed with work that it will be a wise precaution for you to write to me next March, if you still wish to return into the Alaska school service.

By the way, I received a letter from Alaska in which occurred this sentence. "Prof. Davis of Unalaska is one who criticises you and tells how he forced you to pay his hotel bills, and travelling expenses". I think you must have been misquoted, for I do not believe that you would make such a statement. You know as well as I do that the employees of the Alaska school work in Washington have no pecuniary interest whatever in the salaries or supplies of the teachers. If they get this bill paid and another one denied, it does not make one cent of difference to the Office. Our sole aim is to do the best we can with the funds given us by Congress and see that all our employees in Alaska are treated with justice. The question of payment and nonpayment of hotel bills and travelling expenses was simply a question of whether the same was justly due under the law or not and even if it was attempted there could be no "forcing" of the matter by anyone. If it was right and the law allowed it, ~~was,~~ it would have to be paid. If it was not right and the law did not allow it, no amount of compulsion could secure it. I do not, however, think that you made the statement.

With kind regards to Mrs. Davis, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

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L.E.C.

Sept. 27, 1905.

Mr. George W. Martin,
Secretary of State Historical Society,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Martin:

Please accept thanks for character sketch on John A. Anderson, also a pamphlet on the College of Emporia, which I greatly appreciate.

I send you Reindeer Educational Report and historical sketch of myself, also of the work in Alaska.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

Washington D.C. Sept. 29 5

Rev George Norcross D.D.
Carlisle Pa

Dear Brother

Yours of Yesterday with regard to purchase of lot near Payne St Paul Minn is received. If you and Mr McCall think it is a good thing to do. I am willing and you can send bill to me for my half of price.

We are all in usual health
Love to family

Affectionately yours
H Wilson

L.R.C.

Sept. 30, 1905.

Quartermaster General,
State of Iowa,
Capitol Building,
Desmoines, Iowa.

Sir:

I am very anxious to secure a list of the Battlefield Parks, on which the State of Iowa has caused to be erected monuments designating the location of its own troops on those fields during the Civil War. Also designate the numbers of the regement for which said monument has been erected.

An early reply will be greatly appreciated. Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

P.S. If you are not the proper officer to be addressed, will you kindly forward this letter to the officer whom I should have have addressed.

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L.E.C.

Sept. 30, 1905.

Hon. Robert Shaw Oliver,
Assistant Secretary of War,
War Department, Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Kindly have a clerk send me a list of the National Battlefield Parks where the State of Iowa has raised monuments to designate the location of its troops during the Civil War; or give me the address of the proper person to whom to write for the above information, and greatly oblige,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Sept.30, 1905.

Rev. Paul de Schweinitz,
20 Church Street,
Bethlehem, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I enclose you a copy of my letter to Dr. Romig. In case your church decides to close the mission at Carmel would it not be a good plan to transfer the mission to the 350 people around Lake Iliamna? I throw it out for consideration.

How would Dr. Romig do as Superintendent of the reindeer herds travelling each winter from station to station inspecting the reindeer herds and reporting to this Office.

As you know we have a vacancy at Unalakleet, where Dr. C. O. Lind has resigned and returned to the States.

His duties would be seeing that at the different stations the herds were properly cared for. This would require on the part of the superintendent, tact in dealing with, and controling other men.

Sometime when you write, let me know your view of this point.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

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Dr. J.H.Romig,M.D. September 25,1905.

C/o Alaska Commercial Co.,
310 Samsome Street ,San Franciso,Cal.

Dear Sir:

Yours of September 12th from thepacific Ocean,concerning the reindeer is received.

The laws regulating the disposal of reindeer are such that the Mission could not sell to you any females or to any white man. No one can secure female reindeer except by loan from the Government , and the Government only loans to Mission stations, to Lapps, or Finns,that have been brought up in the business from childhood,and to Eskimos that have served an apprenticeship.

The reindeer industry is a part of our school system and the primary object is to get them distributed among the natives who have learned their management and care.

Where is Wood River Lake region? I can not find it on our map. I think I could get a region set apart as a reindeer reserve if I had the correct boundaries. Let me hear from you on that subject

I am very sorry that you have felt called upon to come away from Alaska. A combined physician and school teacher is greatly needed at Point Barrow next summer.

With kind regards to Mrs. Romig I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Sheldon Jackson.

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

Washington, D. C., October 1905.

To the Presbytery of Pueblo,
Synod of Colorado.

Dearly Beloved:

Most hearty greetings on this the 25th anniversary of your organization.

As memory reverts to the events which led up to your organization my whole being thrills with thanksgiving that I was permitted to be a pioneer missionary.

and they said "Nothing". From May 1, 1869, to December 31, 1870, the superintendent received from private sources for the work, $10,037, 79. The "Raven Fund" continued as long as it was essential to the work.

In the fall of 1869 the superintendent, and several of the missionaries sustained by him, were unexpectedly commissioned by the Board of Domestic Missions. As speedily as they could be obtained, other men were sent into Colorado and New Mexico, and later on into, Arizona, Idaho and Montana, and the church organizations by the superintendent followed in rapid succession. Twenty-two Presbyterian churches in the first twelve months. The superintendent, himself, made missionary tours through Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Idaho and Montana, traveling by railway, stage-coach, horseback and on foot, during the year, 22,690 miles. Churches were speedily gathered, and with the organization of the churches was created the necessity for church buildings. The Board of Church Erection gave to these new buildings with a liberal hand, but the necessities were so great that the superintendent again had to appeal to Christian friends, and raised during the year 1870, $8,207.09 over and above what was received from the Board of Church Erection for the completion of the buildings.

With the establishment of churches, followed the organization of synods and presbyteries. In November, 1869, the General Assembly created the Presbytery of Colorado, covering the Territories of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Montana; the Presbytery of Wyoming. June 9, 1871; the Synod of Colorado, covering the Territories of New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Montana, September 4, 1871; the Presbytery of Montana, July 16, 1872; the Presbyteries of Nebraska City and of Omaha, 1872; Kearney, 1873; Utah, 1874, and later, three synods and eighteen presbyteries.

In 1869 the Presbyterian Church was a very feeble folk in Colorado. A church had been ~~partly~~ organized in Denver during the summer of 1860, which afterwards broke into two bands one old and the other new school - the new school only having a regular minister ~~at~~ in ~~that time~~ 1869, the Rev. E. P. Wells.

January 26, 1862, a church of nine members had been organized at Central City, but in '69 had only a name.

February 15, 1863, a church was organized at Black Hawk and a church building erected, but in '69 was pastorless and the flock scattered.

In September 1863, a church was started at Boulder with Rev. A. R. Day in charge. Messrs. Day and Wells were ~~at that time~~ in '69 the only ministers preaching regularly and both of them were sustained in part by Home Missions. On the plains and in the mountains, now in this mining camp and now in that, Father Lewis Hamilton, that grand old pioneer had from 1859 to 1869 largely at his own expense, been lifting up the standard of the Cross, sowing beside all waters.

South of the divide (present bounds of Presbytery of Pueblo), there was not even the semblance of organized presbyterianism.

But God's time had come and following the events initiated by the Presbyteries of Iowa in 1869, a new era was at hand.

While from May 1869 to February 1st, 1870, had been largely given to looking over the field, Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Idaho and Montana, yet 17 churches were organized in Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado and Montana and the Presbytery of Colorado secured from the General Assembly in session at Pittsburgh, Pa., November 11, 1869. This was an omnibus Presbytery covering Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Montana.

The first meeting of Presbytery was held at Denver, Colorado, in the underground basement of the Baptist Church, (there was no upper part) Feb. 18, 1870. The veterans, Father Hamilton, Moderator and A. R. Day stated clerk.

There were present five ministers and three ruling elders. One member when he first came to Colorado with his family was 32 days crossing the plains. Another came into the country driving a six mule team. I came by stage, there being at the time no railway to Denver.

The all absorbing topic of interest at the Presbytery was the mission work in Colorado. This being the first opportunity for concerted action, the Presbytery became a committee of the whole to devise ways and means for supplying the spiritual destitutions of Colorado.

Upon the adjournment of Presbytery I turned my attention to Colorado, and in 15 days one reorganized church and five new churches were added to the Presbytery.

Westminster (1st Church O.S.) Denver,	Feb. 20, 1870. (Reorganized)
Pueblo,	Feb. 27, "
Colorado City,	" 28, "
Georgetown,	March 4, "
Idaho Springs,	" 6, "
Golden,	" 7, "
Greely,	Aug. 21, "

Evans,	May 14,	1871.
Longmont,	July, 16,	"
Evanston,	Aug., 13,	"
Salt Lake City,	Nov., 12,	"
Central City,	Dec., 31,	"
Coloradc Springs,	July, 21,	1872.
Caribou-Boulder,	" 28,	"
Middle Boulder,	" 28,	"
Fairplay,	Aug. 11,	"
Canon City	" 18,	"
Ft. Collins,	" 25,	"
Boulder,	Nov. 8,	"
Las Animas,	June 29,	1873.
Trinadad,	Sept. 6,	"
Monument,	Jan. 20,	1874
West Las Animas, (Mexican)	Dec. 12,	"
St. Paul, Denver, (reorganized)	March12,	1875
Cucharas (Mexican)	" 29,	"
Del Norte,	Apr. 11,	"
Rosita,	Sept. 5,	"
Laguna,New Mexico,	March 25,	1876
Tucson, Arizona,	April 9,	"
Ouray,	June, 13,	1877
Leadville,	Aug. 4,	1878

Feb. 21st,

Leaving Denver at the close of Presbytery I took the stage for a trip of 500 miles in southern Colorado.

As a fit preparation of mind for the trip, various friends related their experience of terrible storms on the "divide." But a short time previous the driver had lost his way, and after wandering all night in the storm, had at length brought the chilled and benumbed passengers to breakfast where the evening before they had taken supper. The heavy double blanket curtains of the stage were corroborative of the tales of cold and storm. The passengers consisted of a ranchman, who had been a member of the Territorial Legislature, a Spanish speculator, a french miner, and an Eastern invalid, all heavily armed with revolvers. The staple of conversation was a horse-race to take place the following day.

Late in the afternoon we commenced passing earth forts and block houses, suggestive of Indian depredations. Many are the tales told of "the terror by night" and "the arrow that flieth by day."."

As evening came on, and the curtains were buttoned down closely, the clouds of tobacco smoke in the stage became unendurable, and refuge was sought with the driver outside. The discomfort of the cold was more than compensated by the strange and picturesque scenery rendered more wierd-like by the shadows and deepening gloom of night. Far out before us the foothills were on fire, presenting an almost unbroken line of flame for miles. Late at night we arrived safely at Colorado City.

The following morning diligent inquiries were made for Presbyterians, with but little success; the universal answer being that there was none in that section. Afterwards I found from 10 to 12.

The only church building in the place was a Methodist, with only occasional services. The only flourishing religious enterprise to be found in the community was a Methodist Sabbath School with that grand Presbyterian elder, Judge Douglass, as superintendent.

While securing the Methodist Church for a presbyterian service the following week, a man came rushing up, as if fearful I might escape him, and seizing my hand exclaimed that he had heard that I was a Presbyterian minister - that I must go home with him. "Certainly! with pleasure! Where do you live?" "About twenty-five miles down the Fountain." A good pair of mules made the miles seem short, and in due time we were at the ranch of elder John Irvine. The next day his son mounting a pony, went forth to summon the neighborhood to preaching on the following evening. And when the evening came, the team was sent out to bring them in and return them home, the team and young driver thus doing service until after midnight. At the appointed time an attentive audience of sixty gathered in those two log rooms.

The following day Mr. Irvine hitching up his mules took me down to Pueblo. A Mexican settlement with a small sprinkling of Americans. As was my usual custom I made a canvas of the place calling at every dwelling. When the lady of the house (but few had servants) answered my rap at the door, I inquired their religious denomination before coming West, and whether any were communicants.

When I was through with the canvass I knew how many Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Roman Catholics, etc., there were hidden away in the place, and waiting for a home missionary to find and gather them into a church. In Pueblo I found 3 Baptist families, 3 Lutheran, 4 Episcopalian, 4 Congregationalist, 2 Jewish, 11 Methodist, 2 United Brethren, and 5 Presbyterian. In the Presbyterian families were two communicants, both women.

Both the Methodists and Episcopalians had secured church buildings. The Methodist had a minister but no organization, and the Episcopalians an organization but no minister.

On Sabbath a crowded Court room attested the interest that was felt in the organization of the first Presbyterian Church in Colorado, south of "the divide".

Two women, Mrs. John R. Louther and Margaret H. Jaimeson, living in Pueblo and Mr. and Mrs. John Irvine living on a ranch 16 miles away were organized into a Presbyterian Church. Mr. Irvine was elected and installed Ruling Elder of the infant church. The Methodist minister of the village, and a Cumberland Presbyterian minister, who had come forty-five miles for the purpose, took part in the services. With full hearts and tearful eyes the children of God, from various communities, North, South, East, West, gathered for the first time around the table of their common Lord. One remarked that it had proved to her the day of days - the one bright spot that carried her back to the precious Christian privileges of the East.

Another, who had often wept by the hour her isolation from the Church, and often wondered at the strange providence that had so long deprived her of sanctuary privileges, now took new courage as she saw how God was preparing herself and others to be the nucleus around which other Christian elements might gather - the mustard seed from which has grown the half dozen Presbyterian Churches and 1000 members in Pueblo.

Returning on Monday February 28, 1870 to Colorado City, according to an appointment made the week before a service was held in the Methodist Church which was well filled to witness the organization of a Presbyterian Church of five members in that neighborhood. Judge Robert Douglass was made Ruling Elder.

The Presbyterians of that section had often conferred together with reference to a church, but as the weary months passed by - as Sabbaths came and passed without a preacher, they had almost given up all hope of being looked after by the Church of their choice. Therefore, when they saw a prospect of securing church privileges they, " were like them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing. * * * The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad".

This Church was afterwards merged in Presbyterian Church organized July 21, 1872 Colorado Springs with eleven members.

Henry B. Gage in charge of the Colorado City Church was on hand at the birth of Colorado Springs. And as soon as there was a group of people to preach to living at the new town, he commenced preaching to them, and also the erection of a church building 30 x 50 feet in size before the church was organized.

About a month after organizing the church at Colorado Springs an organization was effected at Canon City (Aug. 18) with 10 members, and J. K. Brewster ruling elder. A year later (Sept. 6, 1873) at Trinidad with 12 members. Those were busy years. They were years of blessing. Able, energetic, self-denying and consecrated men and women laid broad and deep the foundations of our Zion and you have entered into their labors. May the Holy Spirit so abide with you that the coming years shall show increasing fruit to the greater glory of the Redeemer.

Sincerely yours in the gospel
Sheldon Jackson

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Oct. 4, [illegible]

Miss S. F. Lincoln,
W. B. H. M., 156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Lincoln:

Please accept thanks for statistics with reference to the work of the Woman's Board.

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.B.G.

Oct. 4, 1905.

Mr. W. B. Kniskern,
Passenger Traffic Manager,
Chicago & Northwestern Railway,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

Kindly have your clerk send me a clerical half fare trip permit from Chicago to Cedar Rapids and return and a similar permit from Cedar Rapids to Sioux City and return; good from October 17th, to October 24th, inclusive.

I am not sure that I will desire to go further than Cedar Rapids but ask for the second permit in case I should desire to go to Sioux City.

I am a regular minister of the Presbyterian Church. Was Moderator of their General Assembly in 1897. I am the superintendent of Presbyterian Missions in the Presbytery of Alaska and frequently travel over your line from Chicago to Portland en route to Alaska. Also send Missionaries that way.

If you personally do not remember me you can telephone to any Presbyterian minister of your acquaintance in Chicago with regard to my standing as a minister.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

L.M.C.

Oct. 4, 1905.

Rev. J. W. Countermine,
2820 Morningside Avenue,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Brother:

Much obliged for your information of September 30th. Hope to meet you at the Synod at Cedar Rapids on the 18th.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.R.C.

Oct. 4, 1905.

Rev. Joseph W. Hubbard;
Mount Vernon,
Iowa.

Dear Brother:

I am informed that you are preparing a history of Presbyterianism in Iowa. I am expecting to be at the Synod at Cedar Rapids on October 18th, and hope to have the privilege of meeting you there.

I have a scrap-book that covers some Presbyterian history between 1869 - 1872 and will bring it with me to Synod. You may have time to glance over it hastily and possibly find a date or two, or hint or clue that may be of service.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

If not asking too much, please send me half a dozen of the most prominent public men in the development of Iowa from 1833 to 7. Also half a dozen names of those most prominent in the establishment of Presbyterianism in Iowa. I would like to use them in my address before Synod at Ce[illegible]

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L.M.C.

Oct. 4, 1905.

Rev. John F. Hinkhouse,
Sioux City,
Iowa.

Dear Brother:

I have agreed to be present and address the Synod of Iowa at Cedar Rapids on Wednesday evening October 18, with regard to the Memorial Monument on Prospect Hill, Sioux City.

If the Synodical Committee on the Memorial Monument can arrange a meeting of the committee for Wednesday the 18th, during the intervals of the session, I will be very glad to meet the brethren.

Very sincerely,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska

Washington D.C. Oct 4th 5

Mr H.L. Moore.
Treas. Minn L & T. Co
Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir

I have made another search for the Sima Note & Mortgage without success. I find that on Oct 7th 1902. I sent you by Mail (Loan 8875) Frank Sima Note. Mortgage, 2 old extension agreements and 1 new extension agreements. also Abstract of Title & examination of Title Copy.

I also find from you the following: "We acknoledge ~~the~~ receipt of your favor of the 7th inst sending us by registered mail, papers for the completion of our records in loans of Jos Rorwanger and Frank Sima, also Contract with Chas L. Carlson. * * * These matters will receive prompt attention and the papers will be returned as soon as they have been placed upon our records

Signed H.L. Moore Treas.
Chambers"

I find no record of their being returned & do not find the papers. Yours very truly

W. Preston [illegible]

Over

L.E.C.

Oct. 5, 1905.

Adjutant General,
State of Iowa,
Capitol, Des Moines,
Iowa.

Sir:

Kindly send me the numbers of the Regiments for which monuments have been erected by the state , upon the Battlefield of Vicksburg, also Shiloh, Chickamauga and Chattanooga. If they were not the same regiments on each Battlefield, please designate the same.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Oct. 5, 1905.

Hon. Robert Shaw Oliver,
Assistant Secretary of War,
War Department, Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Please accept thanks for information conveyed in your endorsement of Oct. 3, 1905, with regard to National Battlefields.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

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L.E.C.

Oct. 6, 1905.

Rev. George Edwards,
Great Falls,
Montana.

Dear Brother:

Please accept thanks for the Synodical Minutes, safely received and also for the information concerning the date of organization of each of the Synods and Presbyteries.

I rejoice with you that the original Minutes of the Presbytery of Montana have been found. Hereafter if it is possible the Presbytery records ought to be kept in the vaults of a Safe Deposit Co.,

The occasion of my address at the Synod of Iowa this fall, is in behalf of the Memorial Monument, which they propose to erect on Prospect Hill at Sioux City, where in the spring of 1869 an impromptu prayer meeting was held by three Presbyterian ministers, and which had close connection with my being sent to Montana that year.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

Enclosure

Mr J. Henry Wurdeman Washington D.C. Oct 6. 05
When the enclosed is read to your S.S. Class. please pass it on to the C.E. Soc of the N.Y. Av Pres Ch to be read to them
Sheldon Jackson

Copy.

L.E.C.

Parkville, Mo.,

Sept. 30, 1905.

My dear Father:

I have begun another year at Park College. It is to be my last year in the Academy. I hope to enter the College free of conditions. When school began I was not well but I am now pretty well. I think that I shall enjoy this year more than last year. I have Geometry, Cicero, Anabasis, Bible, English and Music. I have quit playing in the Band thinking it was too hard work for my lungs. I am going to try to learn to play on the Flute and if I can, play in the College orchestra. Another reason why I stopped playing in the Band is, when I get away from College and in after life, I thought I could get more enjoyment and also benefit out of a flute or some other instrument than a horn. ~~Whatxdoxyouxthinkxabout~~

What do you think about my tonsils? Very many of the students are suffering at present with colds. This is the time of the year when I usually catch cold and if I should my tonsils will trouble me. I think I can have it done for about eight or ten dollars in the City.

The Christian Endeavor work is coming on well. I hope to get roused up to work harder for Christ. While this is a Christian College, I don't think that the students who profess Christianity here would do so any where else. Most of them do it just because its the proper thing. Still there are some who are very earnest Christians. As I think of my future, what Christ has done for me, how God has given me means with which to receive an education, I think more and more that I ought to give up my ambition of being a Civil Engineer and serving my Master as a missionary among my people. This may be only a burst of feeling in me but I am going to try and make it such a big burst it shall stay with me the rest of my ~~life~~ days. I hope father that you pray for me.

Father, I know that you are busy with other business but please write me a good long letter this time. Have mother put in a line or two.

Remember me to all my friends in Washington. To Miss Chester and her sister and certainly their mother if she is still living. Then to Mr. Wurdeman. Tell him to remember me to his Sunday Class

With much love, I close,

From your Son,

Healy.

P. S. Remember me to my sisters.

L.E.C.

Oct. 6, 1905.

Rev. A. C. Zenos, D. D.,
McCormick Theological Seminary,
N. Halsted Street,
Chicago, Ill.,

My dear Professor:

Your of recent date received, and you may expect me (D. V.) to address the students on Tuesday evening, October 17, at 7:30 o'clock.

I will take the liberty of mailing a map of Alaska to you a few days in advance, with the request that you have the janitor hang it in the lecture room where I can conveniently use it during the address. & have a pointer for the same

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Oct. 6, 1905.

Rev. Charles E. Lukens, M.D.,
Roswell,
New Mexico.

Dear Doctor:

Please accept thanks for your information of October 2nd.

Very cordially yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

(Enclosure).

L.E.C.

Oct. 6, 1905.

Rev. M. H. McLeod,
1430 East 8th Street,
Pueblo, Colorado.

My dear Brother:

I have at length found your letter of September 8th which had been misplaced and could not be found when I was ready to send my reminiscences to the Presbytery, consequently I addressed them to the Presbytery and sent them to Dr. Kirkwood at Colorado Springs.

Please ask him to turn them over to you as stated clerk.

Yours very fraternally,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Oct. 6, 1905.

Mr. M. Healy Wolfe,
College,
Parkville, Mo.

My dear Son:

Yours of September 30th and of previous dates are received. I think that I have written you upon previous occasions that my public duties are so numerous and pressing that I write no family letters, except to my wife. I do not write to my daughters when they are away, nor to my only sister. Consequently you will not feel neglected, if you do not hear from me very often. If I do not write, I still remember you constantly and pray for you.

When I get letters such as I received last year, of your breaking the rules of the Institution, going off to Kansas City without permission and manifesting a rebellious spirit towards the janitor, I feel very badly, more so than I can tell. I wondered whether you had sufficient firmness in your character to resist temptation, to justify giving you a thorough training. I am, therefore, pleased at the tone of your last letter, and I do trust that it will be your earnest daily prayer, that God will enable you with humility and with the consciousness of your tendency to yield to temptation to give you the presence of His Holy Spirit, who alone can keep you in the right way, and strengthen your own efforts to keep in the right way.

I am very glad that you are having your attention turned towards the ministry. There is no higher calling on earth. There is no work that will bring you so close to your Saviour, as missionary work, and I assure you that it would be a great joy, if God shall permit you ultimately to return as a missionary to Alaska.

I enclose you a clipping from the Moravian paper, an article written by Mr. John Kilbuck, who has spent the last year at Barrow.

His letter on the religious condition at Barrow, I know will be pleasant reading to you and ~~advise~~ it might be well for you to read it aloud at some of the college missionary meetings. It shows how ready your people are to hear of Jesus and give Him their hearts.

I will write to Dr. McAfee to get the advice of the college physician in regard to your tonsils. If the physician thinks they had better be removed, it had better be done.

Hoping that you are otherwise keeping in good health, I remain,

Affectionately your father,

Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

Oct. 6, 1905.

General W. H. Swift,
Adjutant-General,
State of Iowa,
Des Moines.

Dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for your full information concerning the historical monuments erected to the Iowa soldiers.

Permit me to send you a short sketch of the Introduction of Reindeer into Alaska. Perhaps it may interest you.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.F.C.

Oct. 6, 1905.

President Lowell M. McAfee,
College,
Parkville, Mo.

Dear Mr. McAfee:

Healy Wolfe writes me that his tonsils trouble him and that he thinks that he would be better if they were cut out.

Kindly have a good physician examine him and if thought best by the physician, have the tonsils removed and send the bill to me.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.B.C.

Mr. W. B. Kniskern,
Passenger Traffic Manager,
Chicago & Northwestern Railway,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

Please accept thanks for clergy half fare permit from Chicago to Sioux City and return, just received.

Very sincerely,

(Rev) Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agent of Education

L.B.C.

Oct. 11, 1905.

City Passenger Office,
Chicago and Northwestern Railway Co.,
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

Please reserve me lower middle berth in sleeping car, Chicago to Cedar Rapids, for the 11 o'clock P.M., train, Tuesday October 17th, and greatly oblige,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

The Car that remains at Cedar Rapids

10811. L.E.C.

Oct. 11, 1906.

Adjutant General,
State of Iowa,
Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Yours of October 9th is received. I have already acknowledged your previous letter full of valuable information to me concerning the Battlefields associated with the Iowa troops during the Civil War.

Again thanking you for the information, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Oct. 11, 1905.

Rev. J. W. Hubbard,
Mount Vernon,
Iowa.

Dear Brother:

Please accept thanks for your letter of October 7th, and printed historical slip. I shall value them very highly.

Hoping to meet you in person on the 18th, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

Washington D.C. Oct 5th 05

Mr H. L. Moore Treasr. M. L & T. Co
Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir.
I have found the papers you wrote for & now send you Sima's Note. Coupons. Mortgage & 3 Extensions

Very truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

Oct. 11, 1905.

Mr. Arthur Sinclair,
800 3rd Avenue,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have been notified that I am to be your guest on the 18th and 19th of October.

I am sure that I shall feel very much at home with you and your family and assume that you are related to a Mr. Thos. M. Sinclair, who years ago was in the packing business at Cedar Rapids and was more or less associated with me in Indian work. Also I presume related to Mr. and Mrs. John Sinclair of New York, warm friends of mine.

I expect to reach Cedar Rapids at 5:27 A.M., October 18th, and will remain in the sleeper until morning.

Kindly drop me a postal letting me know your breakfast hour and I hope to be on hand that morning.

I took the liberty, yesterday, of sending you some Alaska Reports which may be of interest to you or your household.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

Not Sent.

L.B.C.

Oct. 12, 1905.

Mrs. J. T. Kelly,
1367 Kenesaw Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Kelly:

Yours of yesterday inviting me to address the public meeting on Wednesday October 25th, at Wilmington, Delaware, is received.

I am unable now to say whether I can attend or not. I leave next week to make some addresses in Chicago and at the Synod of Iowa. If I return to Washington without taking a cold on the cars and am ordinarily well, and if on the 23rd you have no one to fill my place, possibly I can go, but it is not safe to count upon me. It will afford me very great pleasure to go if God's providence permit. I can not, however, at this time make any promises.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

L.E.C.

Oct. 13, 1905.

Mrs. J. T. Kelly,
1367 Kenesaw Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Kelly:

I greatly regret that I can not accept your invitation to address the Synod at Wilmington, Delaware, October 25th, owing to previous engagements. Next week I leave to give addresses in Chicago and at the Synod of Iowa, and the Iowa Woman's Synodical Annual Meeting.

Praying that you may have a successful meeting, I remain,

Very respectfully,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

The Concord Flats
Washington D.C.
Oct 13th 1905

Sophie Searight
C/ Walter L. Wright
619 F St. N.W.
Washington D.C.

Madam

The interest ($87.50) on your note received from Mr Newton for $35-00 at 5 prct int. was due July 19th I presume you were out of the City or it would have been promptly paid.

Please pay it to my daughter Miss Delia Jackson at the District Title Co on 610 13th St ~~between~~ Between H + G. or Mail Check for the amount directly to me

Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

L.E.C.

Address before Synod of Iowa in session at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, October 18th, 1905., by Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D., LL,D.

Mr. Moderator. Brethren of the Synod. Citizens of Iowa.

It is with sincere pleasure that I am permitted to again meet you after an interval of 37 years. Those were stirring times in 1868 & 1869.

The decade from 1860 to 1870 is memorable in the history of the United States.

During that period the Civil War was fought and finished; and the first transcontinental railway was completed to the Pacific Ocean. That same decade was also memorable in the annals of heaven, for during that period two great bodies of Christians - the Old and New School Presbyterians were united into one, for greater efficiency in Christian work, and the "iowa movement in Home Missions" that gave gospel privileges to one half of the United States had its rise.

As a result of the Civil War the United States became in fact, what previously she had largely held in theory, a compact nation "one and indivisable" and at once entered upon a period of emigration and large development.

Th facilitate this development and the opening up of the great West, the completion of the Union and Central Pacific railways became an important factor.

But a still greater factor, was the union of the Old and New School Churches - the uniting of their forces to guide, control and mould the surging masses of population that commenced pouring into the West and To win that population to the Christ.

But planning to do the work and the gathering of the forces, are ~~was~~ not sufficient unless set in motion. This was accomplished by the "Iowa Movement" of 1868 - '69. That movement touched the button and furnished the electric spark that set the forces at work.

In that epoch making period the state of Iowa stood at the front. Her whole history has been a series of wonderful opportunities well improved. Her soil unrivalled for fertility, her climate second to none for healthfulness, her location in the centre of the continent, washed by two great rivers, and the first free state carved from the "Louisiana Purchase", she attracted to her borders a large immigration of energetic cultured and Christian people, who turned the wilderness prairies into fruitful fields and happy homes; ~~built~~ built manufacturies, cities and railways, established churches, school and colleges and rivaled early New England in the creation of the best type of American citizenship, and by such representative men as Geo. W. Jones, Territorial delegate to Congress. Gov. and Senator Grimes, Governors Hempstead, Lucas, Grinnell &Cummins, T.S.Parvin, A.C.Dodge, Secretary Kirkwood, Senators Allison & Dolliver, Congressman Lacey, Secretary Shaw, and a host of others in the public service has made Iowa a power in the nation.

But the underlying power that has made all this possible is the vitalizing influence of the goppel of Jesus Christ manifested through the Church.

When in 1833 - '34 adventurous spirits began crossing the Mississippi River and settling in Iowa they were followed by Christian ministers. And it was father L. G. Bell, Salmon Cowles, James Gallatin, Michael Hummer, John Fulton, John Stocker, and Enoch Mead (who formed the first Presbytery), J. W. Hubbard

and other ministers of like spirit that in those pioneer days planted on these praries the standard of the Cross and rallied around that Cross the friends ~~that~~ of order and religion that plead for Sabbath observance and public marality, that established schools and churches and above all presented Jesus Christ as the hope of the individual and of the state. It was this early establishment of churches in the formative period of Iowa's history that has raised her to the commanding position which she now enjoys.

As in the past so in the future. The dominance of Christian principles in the hearts of the people is necessary both to preserve and increase the prosperity of the State.

To this end the Presbyterians of Iowa should vie with other churches in obedience to the divine command to go out into the highways and farming communities establishing Sabbath Schools and preaching the gospel in rural school houses. Gospel privileges should be as accessable as educational privileges. The church brings with it , thrift, prosperity and godliness.

And in this connection permit me to emphasize the importance of standing by your weak churches. In the drift of the young people from the farms to the cities, many country churches grow but little and remain dependent upon the Board of Missions for years - and oftentimes there is a disposition on the part of the Home Board and of the local Presbytery to disband them, but in the majority of cases it is unwise. Remember there are just as many souls in the neighborhood of a weak church, after, as before the removal of the young people. If the Christian trained young men and women go to the city other young men and women take their places in the country, to be in turn trained for the city. It may be that the latter are the children of foreigners, but that matters little. Gather them in, and you will find that they make as good Presbyterians as the Presbyterian born. In Central Pennsylvania, some of the Presbyterian churches of Scotch-Irish origin, to day have in their eldership and the leadership of their Woman's Mission Societies, men and women whose parents were German Lutherans. Stand by the weak churches, they are the feeders of the strong city churches.

The church in which I was baptised and trained and from which I went to frontier mission work has been dependent upon the Board of Home Missions~~work~~ for nearly a century. And it is still weak, for it is a nursing mother to the city churches - giving continually its best trained young men and women to make the city churches strong. Do not disband weak churches but build them up.

You are all familiar with the story of the Presbyterian Church that through removals became so weak that it could not keep a minister, and it grew weaker and weaker until only one woman was left, and the Presbytery sent a committee to disband the church, and give it a decent burial. But the woman refused to be disbanded, and she gave the committee such a view of the short comings and neglect of the Presbytery that they concluded there was still some life in that church and instead of a burial service the committee commenced evangelistic services. God's spirit was poured out on the neighborhood and the church became strong again. Push evangelistic work. Push Synodical self-support. Iowa would be ashamed to call upon the churches in other states to help sustain the gospel in Iowa. You are able to care for your own state, you are doing it and no doubt are wondering why you did not do it sooner - Push Synodical self support.

I have already alluded to the "Iowa Movement" for Home Missions in 1868 - '69 as one of the remarkable movements of that epoch making period.

It is the glory of little Bethlehem that she was the birth place of the Christ. It was the double glory of Antioch that there the disciples were first called Christians (a name that shall be known in all lands), and that from Antioch by divine command Barnabas and Saul were set apart to carry the gospel into the regions beyond.

Thus it is the peculiar glory of Presbyterianism in Iowa, that in that transforming period following the Civil War, she was selected of God to inaugurate a movement that would establish the church in one half the territorial limits of the United States.

Iowa then bordered on the great unsettled and unevangelized West. Extend the north and south boundary lines of Iowa on the same parallels of latitude to the Pacific Ocean (2000)Miles) and there was not a Presbyterian Church in the whole distance, except 17 in the Missouri River valley, Nebraska, and very few of any other church. And in many hearts sounded the divine call that came to Joshua as he stood on the borders of the"promised land" "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed" Jos. 13;1. "Begin to posess that thou mayest inherit his land (Deut Deut. 2: 31)

On October 3, 1868, the Synod of Iowa in session at Des Moines (28 ministers and 24 elders) heard this call, and applied to the Board for Domestic Missions for a District Missionary for the new regions of Iowa.

This request was declined by the Board of Domestic Missions because the treasury was empty.

I have somewhere read that in one of our national wars, a body of troops were being overpowered by the enemy, and the order was given to the drummer boy to beat a retreat. He replied that he did not know how to beat a retreat. Then brightening up, said,"just hear me beat an advance". And he beat his drum so enthusiaastically that the wavering soldiers reformed their line, faced about and with a shout followed the drummer boy to victory. As Iowa troops did not know how to retreat in the Civil War, Iowa Presbyterians did not know how to retreat when the Mission Board refused to order an advance.

The still small voice was ever sounding in their hearts, "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed. Begin" And the following spring the Presbytery of Des Moines in session at Osceola, April 22 - 24, took the matter in their own hands and beat the call to advance, appointing Rev. Sheldon Jackson of Minnesota, District Missionary for Central and Western Iowa.

On May 1st, 1869, the Presbytery of Missouri River in session at Sioux City, followed suit and appointed him superintendent of missions for Western Iowa, Nebraska, Dakota, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Utah "or as far as their jurisdiction extends". Presbyterian boundaries in those days were not very accurately defined, and the Presbytery of Missiori River assumed jurisdiction over all the regions beyond, that was not claimed by some other Presbytery, or from Iowa to California, from Canada to Old Mexico, and from the Missouri River to Alaska.

Iowa Presbyterians never do things half way. The Presbytery of Fort Dodge in session at Clarksville, May 8, 1869, cried Amen and ratified the appointment of the Presbyteries of Des Moines and Missouri River.

Perhaps it may seem a step easily taken by the three Presbyteries as they had no treasury and offered no salary, but it is to be remembered, that the large majority of their churches were dependent upon the Board of Domestic Missions for their own support, and that the contemplated action of Presbytery to appoint a general missionary for the "regions beyond". Our conversation was also on that subject. Turning to the north, the mind's eye saw the heathen tribes of Dakota - village after village of Sioux and Black feet and Gros Ventres Indians on and on across the Assiniboine, and the Saskatchawan valleys - On and on through seemingly interminable distances along the Athabasca and Mackenzie vallies of Canada with their tens of thousands of Crees and Athabascans, on and still across far off Alaska to the frozen sea 3500 miles, with its tens of thousands of immortal souls - Thlingets and Eskimos dwelling in the habitations of cruelty, and waiting to learn of the Christ who died to save. Turning to the west were the Wigwams and Tepees of other thousands Crows, Shoshones, Klamath, Bannocks, Yakimas of Indians with an occasional ranch or frontier village at long intervals stretching two thousand miles away over the mountains and vallies, to the Pacific Ocean.

Turning to the Southwest were the homes of still other tens ~~of~~ and hundreds of thousands of heathen Utes, Pimas, and Papagoes - the wild Navajoes, the cruel Apaches the sun worshiping Pueblos, and the Mexicans with their baptised heathenism all waiting for the Jesus mighty to save.

Is it any wonder that we were overwhelmed by our emotions as the Holy Spirit opened our eyes to see somewhat the extent of the spiritual desolations and that falling upon our knees we gave expression to our emotions in strong crying for divine help, and strength this might be withdrawn, because of the action then being taken.

But in full view of all possible dangers, the Presbyteries ordered the advance, and the advance commenced.

Within one week after the action of the Presbyteries and before the last spike had been driven on the Pacific railways, the new superintendent had sent at his own charges three ministers to occupy all the important villages on the Union Pacific R. R., between Iowa and Central Utah a distance of over 1000 miles, as follows:

The Rev. J. N. Hutchinson to itinerate between the Missouri River and Julesburg, 375 miles; the Rev. John L. Gage, between Cheyenne and Rawlins, 174 miles; and Rev. Melanethon Hughes from the Sweet Water Mines in Wyoming, 292 miles, to Corinne, Utah.

Within a month four "Middlers" from the Theological Seminaries were given fields covering from one to five counties each in Iowa and Nebraska.

In 8 months ten new missionaries were at work in Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado, and Utah. And in 12 months twenty-two churches were organized and the Presbytery of Colorado, ordered by the General Assembly.

The work progressed so rapidly and aroused so much enthusiasm that the Board of Domestic Missions reconsidered its former action and during the summer of 1869 commissioned the superintendent and a number of the missionaries that he had placed in the field.

As the direct result of that movement of 1869 and its extension to the present time in the seven states and three territories comprising Western Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Southern Idaho, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Alaska there have been organized 5 Synods; 24 Presbyteries; 579 Churches, with 68,650 communicants. Into these churches since 1869 have been received 100,601 ~~communicants~~ members on confession of their faith. And by these churches since 1869, have been contributed for missionary and religious purposes the sum of $15,323,292.

"The Iowa Movement" did more. It crystalized the position of superintendents and synodical mission aries. When first such an office was proposed it was looked upon by many as a step towards papacy or at least prelacy. But the office vindicated itself as the servant of the churches. Where would Presbyterianism ~~be~~ in Iowa be, if you could obliterate the results of the labors of Father Bell Campbell, Carroll, J. D. Mason, Alex R. Baird, Turner S. Bailey, C. H. Purmort.

Again "The Iowa Movement" led up to the formation of the Woman's Board of Home Missions. The missionaries that went forth under its auspices in 1869, soon came face to face with Mormons, Mexicans, and Indians, the exceptional populations that necessitated the organization of a special form of church work, and that organized school work as ~~an~~ a part of Home Missions.

The Mission Presbyteries of Utah and Colorado sent the first overtures to the General Assembly for organized Woman's work in Home Missions. The Women of Iowa also sent petitions on the same subject.

Last year the Woman's Board of Home Missions, reported 183 mission schools with nearly 11.371 pupils. They employ 486 teachers and raised $459,436,48. During the 25 years of the existence of the Society they have raised for Home Missions $6,785,867. Truly Iowa Presbyterians built better than they knew in their begihning to possess the land for the Christ.

When Joshua crossed the Jordon preparatory to possessing the promised land he was commanded to set apart 12 men, one for each of the 12 tribes of Israel, and that each of the 12 men were to take a stone from the Jordan and with those stones build a monument ~~of~~ as a perpetual reminder of the event to all succeeding generations,

Thus at your last Synod it was appropriate that you took action looking to the erection of a memorial to keep in memory the Iowa Home Mission movement of 1868 - '69.

And your action in selecting Prospect Hill, Sioux City as the site of the memorial, is also appropriate. For there, overlooking portions of four states, occurred the historic prayer meeting that was the outward expression of the intensity of the desire of Iowa Presbyterians to possess the West for the Christ.

The Presbytery of Missouri River met at Sioux City in the evening of April 29, 1869. During the afternoon of that day, the Rev. Thomas H. Cleland Jr., the Rev. J. C. Elliott and myself ascended a high bluff on the edge of the city for its outlook over the surrounding country. From the summit of the hill was visible portions of Iowa, Minnesota, Dakota and Nebraska. With our hearts full of and self-denial and consecration for faith to believe that the all Conquering Cross would yet triumph over those desolations.

Thirty-six years have rolled around. Let us again take our stand on Prospect Hill, Sioux City; again look to the North and West and Southwest and what do you see?

Railways are pushing out in every direction, ranches are being improved, mines of gold and silver and copper are being opened, manufacturies are springing up, immigration is surging in, villages and cities are springing into existence as if by magic, ~~and~~ unprecedented wealth is pouring in and the tread of Empire is in the air.

Better than all, churches are rising on every hand. Faithful men and women are carrying the news of salvation into all sections and the glad tidings of salvation are heard in city and country - by the civilized and by the barbarian within our gates. What hath God wrought! If the passing of   thousand Israelites into the land of promise was worthy of a memorial stone, surely it is equally appropriate that a memorial stone shall preserve in the memory of coming generations the great Home Mission revival that has given gospel privileges to four million American citizens. No loyal son or daughter of Iowa without a thrill of patriotic emotion can visit the battlefields of Shiloh, Vicksburg, Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge and look upon the memorial stones raised by the State of Iowa to perpetuate the memory and work of her 31 Regiments and 2 batteries that fought on those fields.

And if the State deems it appropriate to place Memorial Stones to mark the places where her loyal sons battled for their country.

Let the Church mark the place where our fathers looked upon the spiritual destitutions of half a continent and consecrated themselves anew to the work of redeeming it for Jesus and His Church. "And when your children ask in time to come saying what mean ye by these stones? Then ye shall say unto them" (Joshua 4: 6 - 7) because the Spirit of God came upon your fathers and gave them the faith and courage to undertake the saving of an Empire.

Rev. U. Franklin Smiley, D. D.,
1430 4th Avenue,
Cedar Rapids.

Dear Dr. Smiley:

I send you a copy of my proposed address [illegible] might be well for you to hand it to the editor of [illegible] in order that he might publish such extracts or make such [illegible] it as he wishes, and if he prints any considerable part of [illegible] he [illegible] have abundance of time for setting [illegible] type.

I leave for Cedar Rapids Monday evening and make an address at McCormick Seminary, Tuesday evening, taking the 11 o'clock train that night for Cedar Rapids.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson

Gen'l Agent, Education in Alaska.

L.R.C.

Oct. 21, 1905.

Mrs. R. H. Young, Sec.
c/o Woman's Home Missionary Society Convention,
Central Methodist E. Church,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Madam:

Your letter to the Honorable Secretary of the Interior with regard to a school at Unalaska has been referred to this Office by the Secretary for further information.

I have already written you some weeks ago that Dr. Newhall could have the free use of the Government school room for teaching school. As the law prevents this Office from expending any money on a school at Unalaska, I do not think that it will be possible to furnish heating for the school; however, we will see what the Commissioner of Education and Secretary of the Interior may say in the subject. As their answer will not reach you before the adjournment of your convention, please send me your address during the balance of October and the first half of November.

Without waiting for the action of the Secretary of the Interior I send you a copy of the bill.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. Gen'l Agt., Education in Alaska.

Enclosure.